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2	IN AND FOR NEW CASTLE COUNTY
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4	2008 NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL MOCK TRIAL
5	CHAMPIONSHIP ROUND
6	JONESBORO HIGH SCHOOL JONESBORO, GEORGIA
7	v.
8	KALAMAZOO CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL KALAMAZOO, MICHIGAN
9	RADAMAZOO, MICHIGAN
10	BEFORE: HON. MYRON T. STEELE, CHIEF JUSTICE
11	HON. RANDY J. HOLLAND, JUSTICE  HON. CAROLYN BERGER, JUSTICE
12	HON. JACK B. JACOBS, JUSTICE
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THE COURT: Good evening, Counsel. Let me before we begin the pretrial matters, introduce my colleagues so you can identify name and person. To my far left is Justice Henry duPont Ridgely. To my immediate left is Justice Carolyn Berger. To my immediate right Justice Randy J. Holland. To my far right is Justice Jack B. Jacobs.

Are video cameras or recording devices present? Does any team have an objection?

MS. LEVINE: No objection, Your Honor.

THE COURT: My obligation is to remind all who are present that no communication is allowed between participating team members and others in the courtroom until the trial is concluded. I remind the timekeepers and teams that the only communication between the timekeepers and times is the display of time remaining cards. I remind audience members that only people associated with the participating teams and current administrators are permitted in the courtroom. Do we have present two student timekeepers seated together where they are visible both to the teams and to me?

THE COURT: Thank you. Have you exchanged

team rosters and provided to each member of the judging 1 2 panel? MS. HARRIS: Yes, Your Honor. 3 4 MR. THOLE: Yes, Your Honor. We believe they 5 have been distributed, if not we can do that now. THE COURT: Apparently, they have now. Would 6 7 you please -- the scoring judges are to be introduced it says. Will the scoring judges please introduce 8 9 themselves. 10 MR. BERLIN: My name is David Berlin. I am an 11 attorney from Albuquerque, New Mexico. 12 MS. WILKINSON: I am Eileen Wilkinson. I am 13 from Delaware. I work for the University of Delaware. 14 MR. FOX: I am Dwayne Fox. I am from Phoenix, 15 Arizona. I am an attorney. 16 MS. INGRAM: I am Annie Ingram. 17 registered nurse here in Delaware at Christiana 18 Hospital. 19 MS. BHAYA: Shaku Bhaya, I am a Delaware 20 attorney. 21 MR. WALSH: I am Peter Walsh, also a Delaware 22 attorney.

MR. SUSKO: Andrew Susko, I am the president

of the Pennsylvania Bar Association, a lawyer practicing in Philadelphia.

THE COURT: I am sure you know that my colleagues will be scoring, but I will not be. I will simply be presiding over the trial. Would you please identify your participating members by name and role, but not identify your school, or state, or anything associated with your team's code.

MS. HAZELL: Good evening, Your Honor. My name is Jayda Hazell, and I am the time keeper for the plaintiff.

MS. HARGIS: Good evening, Your Honor. My name is Lindsay Hargis. Today I will be conducting the direct examination of Devereaux Terry and the cross examination of Jamie Newcastle.

MS. PARKHOUSE: Good evening, Your Honor. My name is Laura Parkhouse. Today I will be conducting the direct examination of Sammy Rodney, conducting the cross examination of Pat Kent and presenting plaintiff's closing arguments.

MS. HARRIS: Good evening, Your Honor. My name is Bridget Harris. Today I will be conducting the direct examination of Aaron Sussex and the cross

examination of Chris Read, and I will be delivering the open statement for the plaintiff.

MS. WILSON: Good evening, Your Honor. My name is Ralph Wilson. I am Devereaux Terry.

MR. ORR: Good evening, Your Honor. My name is Braeden Orr and I am Sammy Rodney.

MR. KELLY: Good evening, Your Honor. My name is Tobias Kelly and I am Aaron Sussex.

THE COURT: Thank you.

MS. TEUTSCH: Good evening Justice duPont
Ridgely, Berger, Steele, Holland and Jacobs. My name
is Maggie Teutsch and I, along with my co-counsel Gavin
Thole and Maura Levine, we represent Delaware Auto and
Marine and its board of directors. Today as witnesses
we will be calling Pat Kent played by Alex Rey. Jamie
Newcastle played by Keegan Davenport. Agent Chris Read
played by Brian Fricke. Our time keeper is Vershurn
Ford.

THE COURT: I don't see anything that identifies the team of any participating member so I now ask you the important question, are each of you ready for trial?

MS. TEUTSCH: Yes, Your Honor. As a

preliminary matter, we ask permission to move about the 1 2 courtroom freely. 3 THE COURT: By that you mean more than 4 approaching witnesses with evidence? 5 MS. LEVINE: No, Your Honor, we ask the Court's preference on being able to move about the well 6 7 freely. 8 THE COURT: The preference is that you address witnesses and the Court from the podium or from your 9 10 seat at counsel table. 11 MS. LEVINE: Yes, Your Honor. 12 THE COURT: The answer to your question is no, 13 you may not move freely about the courtroom. 14 MS. LEVINE: We have also been told to place 15 our Exhibits with the bailiff to my right after they 16 have been admitted into evidence, is that consistent with the Court's preference? 17 18 THE COURT: That is. 19 MS. PARKHOUSE: There are no pretrial matters 20 from the plaintiff, Your Honor. 21 THE COURT: May we swear the witnesses. Will 22 the witnesses please rise.

(Witnesses were duly sworn.)

THE COURT: Plaintiff's ready to proceed?

MS. HARRIS: Yes, Your Honor. May it please
the Court, opposing counsel, Members of the jury. I
will never sell the company DAM, no matter what the
price. This quote by the defendant, Pat Kent, sums up

in one sentence exactly why we are here today.

Good evening, my name is Bridget Harris. I, along with co-counsel Lindsay Hargis and Laura

Parkhouse represent the plaintiff in today's case

Mideast Stevedores Service Corporations or MESS, a

Delaware corporation. My client has filed this action against the Delaware Auto and Marine Corporation and individual members of its board of directors, including Pat Kent, DAM's Chief Executive Officer. Last year my client, which is in the business of operating and owning marine cargo terminals was seeking to expand its business into the Port of Wilmington and sought to purchase a controlling interest in Delaware Auto and Marine.

However, DAM's board of directors recently employed a poison pill technique that effectively blocked any stock purchase. Essentially, this means that the buy of any shares purchased by my client would

be diluted. Therefore, making it cost prohibitive to purchase a controlling interest in DAM. Realizing this, my client offered to purchase the shares of DAM for \$16 per share, far more than it's trading value of only \$10.50, if DAM's board would withdraw the poison pill.

Hearing no response, my client increased the offer to \$20 per share, almost twice its trading value. Rather than allowing shareholders to accept this generous offer, DAM's board of directors has refused to withdraw the poison pill.

Today we will prove by a preponderance of the evidence that DAM, through its president and board chair Pat Kent, has breached his fiduciary duty owed to its shareholders to insure that their stock values are maximized. We will prove if my client's offer is allowed to be blocked, then the Delaware Auto and Marine Corporation will likely never reach \$20 per share in the foreseeable future.

Samuel Rodney, an expert in the field of accounting and stock valuation will testify that he thoroughly and accurately researched the stock prices of comparable shipping businesses. He will explain to

you that the stock price of marine transportation companies has been declining ever since the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001. He will further explain to you that the long-term business plan proposed by Pat Kent will likely never have success, due to the existence of contingency factors beyond Kent's control.

Shareholder Erin Sussex who recently retired from DAM will explain to you the financial hardships that this corporate selfishness will cause, and will serve as an example of DAM's breach of its fiduciary duty. They will attempt to prove my client's proposed purchase of the common stock of DAM will somehow pose a threat to national security of the United States, but today, the defense will not be able to meet their burden to prove this claim.

Mr. Devereaux Terry, the president of MESS will explain to you that his native country of Aladdin, which owns 100 percent of my client's common stock, is a capitalistic society which has no ties to terrorist activities. The evidence will further show that an independent auditor has rated my client second safest in the world for port operations.

Members of the jury, the evidence will show

the defense witnesses will lack credibility. Mr. Chris Read, DAM's terrorism consultant will have none of the witnesses or documents in court today that he claims support his allegations. Moreover, the evidence will show that Mr. Read cannot be believed because he is biased against Devereaux Terry due to hard feelings that date back to their high school days. The evidence will further show that Jamie Newcastle, DAM's underqualified security advisor cannot be believed because he is biased; because if MESS acquires DAM, Mr. Newcastle will be out of a job.

Finally, you will see that by DAM not allowing its shareholders to sell their stock no matter what the price, DAM's president and his board of members have acted in bad faith with only their own misguided interest in mind and not those of DAM shareholders.

At the close of evidence my co-counsel Laura

Parkhouse will return to you the closing argument and
which she will remind you of the duty of DAM's board to
its shareholders and the breach of that duty that its
poison pill creates. She will ask you to return with a
verdict finding that DAM has breached its fiduciary
duty owed to its shareholders and find that MESS poses

no threat to the national security of the United States. Thank you.

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about your question about moving freely around the courtroom, I meant, I think, and said, when you are addressing witnesses or the Court. So you may draw closer to the jury than the podium.

MS. LEVINE: Thank you, Your Honor. please the Court, counsel, members of the jury. Promote, protect, preserve. The United States of America has a rich history of shipping and ship building. The Port of Wilmington is at the heart of the ship building industry. In 1965, a young man named Pat Kent, who barely had two nickels to rub together, followed in the footsteps of those who came before him. He looked out across the dock and had a vision to create what is now Delaware Auto and Marine, which today we will be referring to as Delaware Marine. He did not know then that nearly 40 years later he would be required to fight in order to promote, protect, and preserve the values which we, as American citizens, hold dear.

Pat Kent lived the American dream. Mr. Kent,

would you please stand.

With honesty, hard work and determination,

Delaware Marine grew under Mr. Kent's leadership. In

1985, the small company was so successful that it began

trading its stock on the New York Stock Exchange. No

one knows the inner workings of the Port of Wilmington

and the marine cargo business like Pat Kent. Thank

you, Mr. Kent. Like many American businesses, Delaware

Marine felt a devastating financial effects after the

attacks on this nation on 9/11. Mindful of the best

interest of their stockholders, the Board of Directors

at Delaware Marine designed a strategic business plan

developed to revitalized the company and the Port.

By dredging the shipping lanes of the Delaware River, larger vessels can enter the Port. Larger vessels means more cargo, more cargo means more profits, and more profit means higher stock prices. They will revitalize the company and Delaware Marine will go from being a good company, to a great company.

However, while the board of directors at

Delaware Marine was planning a revitalization of the

Port, other more sinister plans were afoot. On a small
island off the Coast Oman a nation called Aladdin was

teaming with activity. A company from the country of Aladdin, Mideast Stevedore Services, which we will be referring to as MESS, was planning to take control of the Port of Wilmington. While this nation was recovering from the attacks on 9/11, efforts were underway to launch a hostile takeover of Delaware Marine.

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MESS's offer was intended to appear attractive to some, but today you will learn that MESS's offer is not in the best interest of Delaware Marine's stockholders because the offer significantly under values the worth of this fine company. Today you will also learn that MESS's offer is not in the best interest of national secure because MESS has material ties to terrorism. Aladdin owns and controls MESS. Evidence will show that the prime minister of Aladdin is a known associate of the international terrorist Drew Terry, the same international terrorist who has murdered hundreds of people. The same international terrorist who has injured hundreds more, and the same international terrorist who is the brother of MESS's president Devereaux Terry. Devereaux Terry has expressed his hatred for the United States saying it

would bring him great pleasure to see America attacked, where innocent Americans will be killed.

We intend prove by a preponderance of the evidence that MESS has material ties to terrorism. If MESS controls the Port of Wilmington, American ports and American interests will be vulnerable. If MESS controls the Port of Wilmington, national security will be in jeopardy.

The board of directors at Delaware Marine have the duty which requires them to resist the offer by promoting their business plan, preserving the values of Delaware Marine and protecting their stockholders.

At the conclusion of this trial, we will ask you to find in favor of Delaware Marine. We will ask you to help the Board of Directors promote their business plan which is in the best interest of their stockholders, preserve the marine cargo heritage at the Port of Wilmington and protect the United States of America. Thank you.

THE COURT: You may call your first witness.

MS. HARGIS: At this time the plaintiff calls Devereaux Terry to the stand.

(Witness was previously sworn.)

## DIRECT EXAMINATION

## BY MS. HARGIS:

- Q. Would you please introduce yourself to the jury?
- A. My name is Devereaux Terry. I am the president of Mideast Stevedore Services, Incorporated, otherwise known as MESS, Incorporated.
  - Q. What exactly does MESS do as a corporation?
- A. We operate maritime logistic terminals in various portions of the world currently in the Middle East and Europe.
  - Q. Now, where is MESS incorporated?
- A. We are incorporated of the laws of Delaware, as well as Aladdin.
  - Q. Do you have any personal ties to Aladdin?
- A. Yes, ma'am. I was born there, and lived there for the first 14 years of my life.
  - Q. Why did you come to the United States?
- A. I came to the United States because my mother was born in England, and was educated there, as well as the US. She wanted me to have the same opportunities that she had. So she enrolled me here in boarding school in Wilmington, Delaware.

- Q. After coming to boarding school, did anything 1 2 happen? Yes. I learned that my mother was previously 3 Α. 4 diagnosed with a terminal illness before I left. Five weeks into my arrival here in the US, my mother died. 5 Q. Mr. Terry, how did your father react to your 6 7 mother's death? A. My father, like I, was devastated. It made 8 him vulnerable. He met this woman. They had a child 9 10 together, they named him Drew Terry. 11 Q. Do you have any connection or are you affiliated anyway at all with Drew Terry? 12 13 No, ma'am, absolutely not. A. 14 Back to boarding school, can you please Q. 15 describe your experience during the first year for the 16 jury? 17 A. My first year of boarding school was 18 difficult. Many of my peers made fun of me being a 19 foreign student. 20 0. Now, what about your second year, Mr. Terry? 21
  - A. My second year was a lot better. I was good friends with Reese Blackbird and I was selected among all of my peers to uphold our school's honor code. I

- was selected to the honor counsel.
- Q. Now, while in boarding school, did you ever come in contact with Chris Read?
  - A. Yes, ma'am.

- Q. What was your relationship to Mr. Read while in boarding school?
- A. Chris Read was particularly cruel to me. He ridiculed me and even stated if you are not American, you don't belong in this boarding school.
- MR. THOLE: Objection, Your Honor. Move to strike as improper character evidence pursuant to Rule 403 -- Pursuant to Rule 406.
- THE COURT: In response?
  - MS. HARGIS: Yes, Your Honor. This testimony is simply offered to the jury to help them understand the bias Mr. Read has for testifying for the defense.
  - MR. THOLE: Response, Your Honor? This testimony does not go to bias, the testimony is about statements made back in high school, Your Honor. It is more prejudicial than probative. And it does not go to the truthfulness or untruthfulness of Chris Read.

    Therefore, it is improper character evidence pursuant to Rule 404, as I said earlier, Your Honor.

THE COURT: Mr. Read will testify; is that 1 2 correct? MR. THOLE: Yes, Your Honor. 3 4 THE COURT: The objection is overruled. 5 BY MS. HARGIS: Yes, Your Honor. 6 Q. 7 And what did Mr. Read tell you while in boarding school? 8 He said that only American kids should go to 9 this boarding school. Personally, I did not agree with 10 11 that. This is America, the land of the free --MR. THOLE: Objection, Your Honor, move to 12 13 strike that testimony as hearsay. 14 THE COURT: Overruled. BY MS. HARGIS: 15 16 Q. Yes, Your Honor. 17 Now, was there any particular incident that 18 involved both you and Chris Read? 19 Α. Yes. Chris was accused of cheating during the 20 fall semester of his senior year. His case, of course, came before the Honor Counsel and I sat as part of the 21 22 panel that heard his case. However, the witness that

was going to testify against Chris mysteriously left

- the night before and although we had all supporting evidence against him, it was our policy to dismiss the case.
  - Q. Now, did you eventually graduate from boarding school?
    - A. Yes, ma'am.

- Q. And did you then attend college?
- A. Yes, ma'am. Harvard University.
- Q. Did you eventually graduate from Harvard?
- A. Yes, ma'am.
  - Q. What did you do after you graduated?
- A. I decided to stay here in the United States for a few more years, see my friend Reese Balckbird and pursue my Masters in Business Administration.
  - Q. Now, while visiting Reese Blackbird, did you then again come in contact with Chris Read?
    - A. Yes, ma'am.
    - Q. Can you please describe that meeting?
  - A. Well, while Reese and I were walking his dog throughout the neighborhood, we saw Chris in the passenger seat of a vehicle entering a house that Reese's father believed was a safe house for intelligence agents of the United States Government.

This is when I realized the rumors that I heard about Chris going to work for an intelligence agency after graduation. After I saw Chris the feeling of how he ridiculed me in board school overwhelmed me. So Reese and I decided to play prank.

- Q. Mr. Terry, can you describe this prank for the jury?
- A. Yes. That next week I made sure to make plenty of phone calls using Reese's phone. I would pretend to state how I hated the United States, which is absolutely ridiculous. This is my second home.
- Q. After making these phone calls, were you ever approached by any authority and questioned about them?
  - A. No, ma'am.

- Q. Were you ever arrested or prosecuted because of these phone calls that you made?
  - A. No, ma'am.
- Q. Were you ever denied entry into this country because you made they telephone calls?
- A. No, ma'am. It was just a prank. Nothing more.
  - Q. And while making those telephone calls, were you highly aware of the high probability that these

telephone calls would be intercepted?

- A. Yes, ma'am. That's why we committed this prank. We wanted Chris Read to intercept these phone calls, approach his superiors with these ludicrous allegations and he would be in trouble for approaching with such ridiculous things.
  - Q. Now, did you eventually return to Aladdin?
  - A. Yes, ma'am.

- Q. Over your years with MESS, what position or responsibility did you hold?
- A. I hold various positions of authority throughout our company. However, I gained the presidency from my father.
- Q. Can you tell the jury a little bit about the economy of Aladdin?
- A. Yes, ma'am. Our economy is devoted to Capitalism. Just like the United States, we want to prosper, as well.
- Q. Now, as president, did you ever consider a US presence for your company?
  - A. Yes, ma'am.
- Q. Did anything hinder you from pursuing this presence?

A. Yes, ma'am. At the time I was not in a position to leave my father alone in Aladdin. Having a United States presence would require monthly trips to the United States. I was not in a position to leave my father alone.

- Q. Did anything happen to your father this past year?
- A. Yes, ma'am. My father suffered a fatal heart attack after hearing of Drew's latest terrorist atrocity. I blame Drew Terry for killing my father.
- Q. Mr. Terry, after your father's death, did you then again decide to pursue a US presence for your company?
- A. Yes, ma'am, at that time it did become possible.
- Q. With there any particular company that you were interested in?
- A. Yes, ma'am. The Delaware Auto and Marine Corporation. I routinely followed their trading activity on the New York Stock Exchange.
- Q. Did you make a decision about an investment in DAM?
  - A. Yes, ma'am. Upon the advice of my attorneys,

MESS decided to buy one share of Delaware Auto and Marine, so that the board of directors of Delaware Auto and Marine would owe MESS a fiduciary duty as a stockholder.

- Q. Now, after buying this share of stock, did you become aware of any precautionary action that DAM has taken in order to prevent such a takeover from an outside company?
- A. Yes, ma'am. The Delaware Auto Marine

  Corporation adopted what is known as a Shareholder's right plan or poison pill. They instituted a flip-in method.
- Q. Please explain this flip-in method for the jury?
- A. Yes, ma'am. Any outside bidder wanting to have a controlling interest in Delaware Auto and Marine would need to buy 15 percent or more of a common stock to trigger the poison pill. After the 15 percent or more has been bought, the existing stockholders would be issued two additional shares for every one share that they own at prevailing market price.

Now, MESS as the acquiring corporation was not able to participate in this flip-in method, but the

- shares that I eventually owned, if I would have went along with the deal, would have been massively diluted and substantially less valuable.
- Q. Did you, at any time, make an offer for all the common stock of DAM?
- A. Yes, ma'am. My initial tender offer was \$16 per share. After I made this offer I sent a correspondence to Pat Kent.
- Q. Did you receive any response from Pat Kent or any of the board of directors from DAM?
  - A. No, ma'am.

- Q. Did you then make a second offer?
- A. Yes, ma'am. Despite Pat Kent's silence, we decided to pursue due diligence and raise our offer to \$20 per share.
  - Q. Did you get any response to this offer?
- A. No, ma'am.
- Q. Did you become aware of any reason why you did not receive a response to these offers?
- A. No, ma'am. I was never contacted for not receiving a response. I thought it was rude.
  - Q. Now, has DAM redeemed this poison pill?
- A. No, ma'am. So on September 1, 2007, I filed

this lawsuit in the Court of Chancery here in Wilmington, Delaware.

- Q. How has DAM responded to this lawsuit?
- A. Delaware Auto Marine Corporation has made ludicrous claims that my organization, that I and my country have material ties to terrorism.
- Q. Mr. Terry, does the country of Aladdin have any material ties to terrorism?
  - A. Absolutely --

MR. THOLE: Objection, Your Honor. Lack of foundation. The witness does not have the foundation or personal knowledge pursuant to 602 to testify about whether or not the country of Aladdin has material ties to terrorism. Furthermore, it goes to the ultimate issue and usurps the power of the jury pursuant to Rule 704.

MS. HARGIS: Your Honor, pursuant to Rule 701(a) this is well within this witness's rational perception and he has lived in Aladdin for many years and conducted business there.

MR. THOLE: Response?

THE COURT: Yes.

MR. THOLE: Simply because one lives in the

country does not give a witness the foundation for the perceptions that Aladdin has no material ties to terrorism, Your Honor. It is an improper lay witness opinion pursuant to 701, lack of personal knowledge, 602. Usurps the power of the jury, Your Honor.

THE COURT: I will let the jury evaluate that after cross examination. The objection is overruled.

BY MS. HARGIS:

Q. Yes, Your Honor.

Mr. Terry, does the nation of Aladdin have any material ties to terrorism?

- A. Absolutely not.
- Q. Does MESS fund any terroristic activities?
- A. No, ma'am.

- Q. Do you personally support terrorism?
- A. No, ma'am. No self respecting person would ever involve themselves with terrorism.
  - Q. Mr. Terry, if MESS is to acquire control of DAM, would this pose any threat to the national security of the United States?

MR. THOLE: Objection, Your Honor. Beyond the scope of this witness's expertise. Again, improper lay opinion pursuant to Rule 701, Your Honor?

1 THE COURT: If his corporation were to 2 takeover DAM, or the operations at the Port, he would be the president of the company running it, correct? 3 MR. THOLE: He would, Your Honor. 4 5 THE COURT: Response? MS. HARGIS: Your Honor I, again, state this 6 7 is pursuant to Rule 701(a) well within this witness's 8 rationally based perception as he is president of MESS. 9 THE COURT: The objection is overruled. BY MS. HARGIS: 10 11 O. Yes, Your Honor. Mr. Terry, if MESS is to acquire control, 12 13 would this pose any threat to the security of the United States? 14 15 No, ma'am. Upon acquisition of Delaware Auto 16 and Marine, we plan to implement a world-class security 17 system that would not only improve the security of this 18 port, but of this country. 19 MS. HARGIS: Thank you, Your Honor. We have 20 no further questions of this witness. 21 THE COURT: Cross examination. 22 MR. THOLE: Yes, Your Honor.

CROSS EXAMINATION

## BY MR. THOLE:

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- Q. Good evening, Mr. Terry. My name is Gavin

  Thole and I will be asking you some questions and I am

  representing Delaware Marine today.
  - A. Yes, sir.
- Q. Mr. Terry, you are the president of MESS as you testified, correct?
  - A. Yes, sir. Mideast Stevedore Services.
- Q. And you also said that MESS is organized or operates under the laws of Aladdin, correct?
  - A. Yes, sir.
- Q. MESS is owned and controlled by Aladdin; isn't that true?
- A. Yes, sir. 100 percent of our stock is owned by our nation.
  - Q. You testified on direct that you have been considering a US presence for MESS, correct?
    - A. Yes, sir.
  - Q. And you routinely followed Delaware Marine stock, as you said, for a number of years?
- A. Yes, sir. I have felt that they would compliment Mideast Stevedore Services.
- 23 Q. Now, Mr. Terry, isn't it true, or you would

- agree that the value of a company's stock does not necessarily represent the full value of a company, correct?
  - A. Yes, sir. And the stock trading value of Delaware Auto Marine was undervalued.
  - Q. So you would agree that there are intangible assets in a company that are not included in the stock price value?
    - A. Yes, sir.

- Q. Now, as you just said, you thought that Delaware Marine stock price was actually less than the value of the company, correct?
- A. Yes, sir. So I wanted to acquire it so that I could take it from good to great.
- Q. You thought that Delaware Marine, under Mr. Kent's leadership, was worth more than the stock price was showing?
  - A. Yes, sir.
- Q. That was in the year 2007 that you had that opinion, correct?
- 21 A. Yes, sir.
- Q. And on August 1, 2007, you decided to take advantage of that situation, didn't you?

A. Yes, sir, because I can take this company from good to great. I could do it under my leadership.

- Q. On August 1, 2007, your company, MESS, began its hostile takeover of Delaware Marine when the stock price was undervalued, didn't it?
- A. Yes, sir, but I wouldn't call it hostile takeover. I tried to make this a great merger.
- Q. Now, Mr. Terry, your family is part of the power base of MESS, would you agree with that?
- MS. HARGIS: Objection, Your Honor. Pursuant to Rule 402, this testimony is irrelevant.
  - MR. THOLE: Response, Your Honor?
- THE COURT: First I would like to know why it is irrelevant.
  - MS. HARGIS: Your Honor, whether or not the board of directors is comprised by his family does not make any material fact more or less likely in today's case.
  - MR. THOLE: Your Honor, we expect the witness to agree that his father was the president. He took over the presidency from his father. His brother is a terrorist, and we intend to show that his family is connected to terrorism. The fact that his family is

1 part of the power base of MESS is extremely relevant as 2 it directly goes to the issue of whether or not MESS is connected to terrorism. 3 4 THE COURT: Objection is overruled. 5 MS. HARGIS: Yes, Your Honor. BY MR. THOLE: 6 7 Mr. Terry, your father was the president of Q. 8 MESS before you, correct? 9 A. Yes, sir. 10 Q. And he passed the presidency on to you, didn't 11 he? A. Yes, sir. 12 13 In fact, you even worked at MESS under your Q. 14 father? A. Yes, sir. 15 16 O. Your family is part of the power base? 17 Yes, sir. We started our corporation. 18 Q. Your brother is an international terrorist, 19 correct? 20 A. No, sir, my half brother is an international terrorist. 21 O. Your half brother has murdered hundreds of 22

innocent people; hasn't he, Mr. Terry?

- A. Yes, sir, according to various news accounts.
- Q. Your half brother has committed some of the most heinous terrorist acts the world has ever seen?
  - A. Yes, sir.

- Q. Now, were you aware that in Delaware, there is an anti-terrorism law?
  - A. No, sir. I am not an attorney, sir.
- Q. So it is your claim you were not aware of the anti-terrorism law?
  - A. No, sir. I am not.
- Q. So then you were not aware of the part of that law that says if a company has material ties to terrorism, another company may not -- choose not to go into business with them. You were not aware of that?
- A. No, sir. Like I said, I am not an attorney.

  All I know is I wanted to acquire this company because

  I wanted to take it from good to great. Our country

  wants to prosper just like the US.
- Q. Mr. Terry, I'd appreciate it if you answer the questions I am asking you only.
- Now, you have testified that you -- that MESS is owned and controlled by Aladdin. Were you aware that your terrorist brother Drew Terry has met

face-to-face with the prime minister of Aladdin?

A. No, sir.

- O. You were not aware of that?
- A. No, sir, not at all.
- Q. Now, you testified on direct about a -- you testified that Mr. Kent, the CEO Delaware Marine, did not respond to your initial \$16 offer. Did I understand your testimony correctly?
  - A. Yes, sir.
- Q. Were you aware that Pat Kent publically denounced the offer after it was made?
  - A. No, sir.
- Q. So you were not aware that Mr. Kent did speak to the offer, he just did not contact you about it?
- A. No, sir. I am not aware of that. I don't see why he did not respond to me personally.
- Q. I understand, Mr. Terry. Now, you also testified that Mr. Kent and the Board of Delaware Marine did not respond to the second offer of \$20, correct?
- A. Yes, sir.
- Q. But you admit that the second offer of \$20 from MESS was made simultaneously with the filing of

this lawsuit, correct?

- A. Yes, sir.
- Q. Were you aware that in the complaint that MESS filed, your company in this case, MESS, already knew that Delaware Marine had relied upon the anti-terrorism statute?
  - A. Yes, sir. I believe so.
- Q. So at the time your company made this \$20 offer, you already knew that Delaware Marine had relied upon the anti-terrorism statute and could not in good faith accept your offer?
- A. As I said, sir, I don't know anything about the statute. However, my counsel did.
- Q. You admit that the offer and this lawsuit were simultaneous?
- A. Yes, sir. The \$20 offer and this lawsuit were simultaneous.
- Q. Now, Mr. Terry, you also testified about making a prank phone call on direct, correct?
  - A. Yes, sir.
- Q. Now, you are aware now that Mr. Read, Agent Read is an Agent or was an Agent of the External Defense Agency, correct?

- A. Yes, sir. I was only aware of that through rumors, though.
  - Q. So you weren't sure?

- A. No, sir, not at the time. However, I heard from friends that he was.
- Q. So you want this jury to believe that you made a phone call that was wire tapped by Mr. Read, and that you somehow knew he belonged to a secret government agency through rumor?
- A. Yes, sir. My friends told me so. I believed it.
- Q. You want this jury to believe that you somehow knew that this secret Agent was wire tapping your phone?
  - A. Well, yes, sir.
- Q. You want this jury to believe that somehow you were aware that Mr. Read was in the safe house next door, that it was a safe house?
- A. Yes, sir. I saw him pull into the driveway of that home.
- Q. You claimed it is a prank. It is important for the jury to hear the words that you spoke about our country exactly. On October 14th, 1998 in a response

to the question "Will someone attack --

MS. HARGIS: Objection, Your Honor. At this time counsel is going into the contents of a document that has not already been admitted into evidence.

MR. THOLE: Your Honor, may I direct the Court's attention to Rule 613.

THE COURT: Yes.

MR. THOLE: Pursuant to Rule 613, Your Honor, a witness may be questioned concerning a prior statement without showing the witness the prior statement. Opposing counsel does have the right to see it pursuant to that rule if she wishes. Furthermore, Your Honor, it is not necessary that the Exhibit be in evidence or questions about this witness's personal knowledge to be based upon it. It is important that you have the opportunity at this point in the trial to deny the statements or admit the statements in this Exhibit. We will not have the opportunity to recall this witness after the Exhibit is admitted. So we ask that the Court take this conditionally, Your Honor.

THE COURT: Objection is overruled.

22 BY MR. THOLE:

O. Yes, Your Honor.

- Mr. Terry, on October 14, 1998, in response to the question "Will someone attack the US?" You said, "Well, I'm not going to say that I have any solid information, but it certainly would bring me great pleasure if it did happen." Didn't you?
- A. Yes, sir. I stated that. However, I stated that while in the course of a prank.
- Q. In response to the same question you said, "I have lived here since I was 14, and each day the hatred grows. It is becoming close to unbearable." Didn't you?
- A. Yes, sir. Once again, I stated that while committing a prank against Chris Read.
- Q. And you want this jury to believe this is a prank against a secret agent less than three years before 9/11 in response to the question; "Why don't you go back to Aladdin?"
  - A. Yes, sir.

Q. You said "I am thinking of doing that, but as much as I hate this country, I still need to learn more about it. If I am going run my father's company after him, I need to know the available markets." Didn't you?

A. Yes, sir. I stated that while in the course 1 2 of a prank. Chris Read was cruel to me. Q. Mr. Terry, would you agree there is some 3 4 things you just don't say unless you truly believe 5 them? No, sir. In this case it was a prank. I did 6 Α. 7 not believe them. MR. THOLE: Nothing further. 8 THE COURT: Any redirect? 9 10 MS. HARGIS: No redirect, Your Honor. 11 THE COURT: You may step down. 12 MS. PARKHOUSE: At this time the plaintiff 13 calls Sam Rodney to the stand. 14 (Witness was previously sworn.) DIRECT EXAMINATION 15 BY MS. PARKHOUSE: 16 17 Q. Good evening. Can you please introduce 18 yourself to the jury? A. Good evening, my name is Sammy Rodney. I am a 19 20 member of the Deloitte Earnst KPMG Coopers, LLC accounting firm. Also known around the accounting 21 22 world as "The Big One." 23 O. Are you a certified public accountant, Mr.

## Rodney?

- A. Yes, ma'am. I am Certified Public Accountant or CPA.
- Q. Have you ever testified in any previous court proceedings in your capacity as a certified public accountant?
- A. Ma'am, I have testified as an expert in so many valuation matters, they ought to give me my own parking space out in front of the courthouse.
- Q. Would you please explain to the jury exactly what you mean by valuation matters?
- A. Well, ma'am, valuation matters are simply where you look at business or corporations and determine how much it should sell for in the market.
- Q. Have you ever been retained by either party in today's case, Mr. Rodney?
- A. Yes, ma'am. The plaintiff, Mideast Stevedores Services, Incorporated or MESS.
  - Q. For what purpose has MESS retained you?
- A. Simply to determine whether or not Delaware

  Auto and Marine Corporation, or DAM, will ever be able

  to reach the \$20 per share offer currently laid on the

  table by MESS.

- Q. Mr. Rodney, does your compensation for testifying in today's case rely upon the opinion to which you come or the outcome of the case?
- A. No, ma'am. Regardless of what happens here today, I will sill receive compensation for all my time and hard work.
- Q. Based on your training and experience as a certified public accountant, do you have an expert opinion as to whether or not the stock market price of DAM is likely reach that price being offered by MESS?
- A. Yes, ma'am, and my expert opinion under current management, it never will.
- Q. Did you rely on any documents in forming this expert opinion, Mr. Rodney?
  - A. Yes, ma'am.

- Q. Can you please explain for the jury what those documents were?
- A. I used the business plan, I use that term loosely, of Pat Kent for the DAM Corporation, as well as the stock price history of DAM, as well as my own valuation analysis of different comparable lines of business or comps. That is businesses which have sold recently that are very similar to the DAM Corporation.

- I also looked a several other different research investment periodicals, specifically the Zaches

  Investment Research.
  - Q. Are all of these documents, and periodicals of the type which a certified public accountant normally relies upon in making these valuations analyses?
    - A. Yes, ma'am, any good CPA uses them.
  - Q. Did you keep all of these documents in your regular course of business in working with MESS?
    - A. Yes, I did.
- MS. PARKHOUSE: Your Honor, let the record reflect I am showing opposing counsel premarked Exhibits 1, 2 and 3.
- 14 THE COURT: Very well.
- 15 BY MS. PARKHOUSE:

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- Q. May I approach the witness for identification purposes?
- 18 THE COURT: Yes.
- 19 BY MS. PARKHOUSE:
  - Q. Mr. Rodney, can you please identify Exhibit 1 for the jury?
- A. Exhibit 1 is the business plan of Pat Kent for Delaware Auto and Marine Corporation.

Q. Can you please identify Exhibit 2 for the 1 2 jury? A. Exhibit 2 is my valuation analysis of 3 4 different comparable lines of business. And can you please identify Exhibit 3? 5 Exhibit 3 is the stock price issued of the DAM 6 Α. 7 corporation ranging from 1985 to present day. Are these the exact documents upon which you 8 relied in forming your expert opinion in today's case? 9 10 A. Yes, ma'am they are. 11 MS. PARKHOUSE: Your Honor, at this time the plaintiff tenders into evidence Exhibits 1, 2 and 3, 12 13 their accuracy and authenticity has been stipulated. 14 MS. TEUTSCH: No objection, Your Honor. BY MS. PARKHOUSE: 15 16 Ο. May the witness step down for demonstrative purposes for Exhibits 2 and 3? 17 18 THE COURT: Yes. 19 BY MS. PARKHOUSE: 20 Q. Mr. Rodney, can you please use Exhibit No. 3 to show the jury how you used it in forming your expert 21 22 opinion in today's case?

Yes, as you can see this is the stock price

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history of the Delaware Auto and Marine Corporation.

In 1985, they had an Initial Public Offering, or IPO of \$5 per share. In the year 2000 --

THE COURT: Excuse me, one minute. Opposing counsel may move to see what the witness is pointing to, if you wish.

MS. TEUTSCH: Thank you, Your Honor. How close is it permissible for me to be to the jurors?

THE COURT: If they are using an Exhibit and

showing it to the jury and demonstrating in some way what it infers to mean, you can get close enough to see what the witness is doing with that Exhibit.

MS. TEUTSCH: Thank you, Your Honor.

THE WITNESS: As you can see, in the year 2000 they were able to approach a peak high of \$22 per share, which is not bad, but hey, even a blind squirrel finds a nut every once in awhile. After the September 11th terrorist attacks the stock price of DAM plummeted to around \$13 per share. However, it dropped since then and is currently hovering around \$10 to \$11 dollars per share.

## BY MS. PARKHOUSE:

O. Now, how does the stock market price of DAM

respond after MESS made its first and second cash offer to the common stock of DAM.

A. After the first tender offer of \$16 per share, the stock price only went up 50 cents to \$11 per share. After the second offer of \$20 dollars per share, it only went up another 50 cents to \$11.50 per share. This indicates that the market has absolutely no confidence in DAM as a corporation in its current state.

# Q. Thank you.

Please use Exhibit No. 2 and explain for the jury how you used it in forming your expert opinion in today's case?

A. Yes, ma'am. This is my valuation analysis of different comparable lines of business very similar to DAM. As you can see, the California Port sold in 2004 for \$14 per share, and the Florida Port sold in 2005 for \$12 per share. This is why I believe the \$20 per share by MESS is definitely more than generous. Now, the Texas Port did sell in 2006 for \$25 per share. However, there is a very good reason for that. You see, the Texas Port has something that none of these other ports have, that is a highly specialized

commodity, Texas Hold'em playing cards.

- Q. Why did you choose to include air shipping companies in your list of comparable businesses?
- A. Well, ma'am, the air transport businesses are technically comparable as they do deal with shipping. However, the main reason I put them there was to show the contrast between marine and air transport. As you can see, the average for marine transport is \$17 per share, while the average for air transport is \$21 per share. This indicates that air transport is starting to take off, if you will, while marine transport is starting to sink.
  - Q. Thank you. You may be seated.

Mr. Rodney, using Exhibits 2 and 3, can you please tell the jury what this stock market price of DAM was at the time the California Port sold in 2004 for \$14 per share?

- A. It was \$10.50 per share.
- Q. What was the stock price of DAM at the time that the Florida Port sold in 2005 for \$12 per share?
  - A. \$10 per share.
- Q. And at the time of the Texas Port was able to sell for \$25 per share in 2006, what was the stock

market price of DAM?

- A. Still \$10 per share.
- Q. Thank you. Can you please explain for the jury how you use Exhibit 1, Pat Kent's business plan, in forming your expert opinion today?
- A. Well, when I looked throughout Mr. Kent's business plan, and his three action steps, and frankly, he just needs to take it back to Kinko's and get a refund. It is not even worth the paper it is printed on.

MS. TEUTSCH: Objection, Your Honor. This testimony is beyond the scope of this witness's expertise. He does not have a degree in business. He cannot testify as to the viability of the business plan as a whole. As an expert in business valuation and as certified public accountant, he can certainly testify as to the financial viability of the plan, but as a whole, it is improper for him to testify to this plan because he does not have the expertise to do so.

MS. PARKHOUSE: Your Honor, pursuant to Rule 702, this is well within his area of expertise as he has, in fact, been hired to perform the valuation analysis in which he investigated DAM's likelihood of

success in increasing its stock market price using the three Exhibits and including using Pat Kent's own business plan. He can make this assessment of the business plan.

MS. TEUTSCH: Response?

THE COURT: Yes.

MS. TEUTSCH: This witness was hired to value, determine the value of Delaware Marine as a corporation, and its future value. He can testify as to the financial aspect of the business, but as to the plan itself, he does not have the expertise to testify as he does not have a degree in business and has not been qualified answer as an expert in business.

THE COURT: Have you established that this is information that a certified public accountant would ordinarily rely on in reaching a conclusion about valuation?

MS. PARKHOUSE: Yes, Your Honor. As pursuant to Rule 702, he is simply making a conclusion as to the financial success of DAM under this business plan.

THE COURT: I will let the jury evaluate the extent to which his specific professional degrees and experience tends to make more likely or not his opinion

- of the business plan. The objection is overruled.

  BY MS. PARKHOUSE:
  - Q. Yes, Your Honor.

Now, what do you predict about the likelihood of DAM's financial success under this business plan, Mr. Rodney?

- A. Well, ma'am, the chances are slim to none and I think I just saw slim go out the door. If you look at his plan you will see that it is full of contingencies, that as things go out of control of Pat Kent and DAM Corporation.
- Q. Now, in working with MESS, did you have the opportunity to visit the nation of Aladdin?
  - A. Yes, ma'am, several times.
- Q. Were your flights ever restricted to daytime hours?
- A. No, ma'am. I flew in and out both day and night, just like any regular airport.
- Q. In fact, are you aware of the financial likelihood that they will receive any sort of funding for this plan at this point if time, Mr. Rodney?
- A. Yes, ma'am. Chances are highly unlikely. Pat
  Kent has already been turned down for funding several

times already.

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- Q. In fact, you mentioned that Zaches -- that you relied upon Zaches Investment Research periodical in forming your expert opinion. What did the Zaches
  Investment Research indicate about DAM's likelihood of financial success at this point in time?
- A. They said that this plan was way too big for DAM's financial britches. Now, my advice, if he can put it back on the rack and start looking at the kids section, because there is no way they can meet the requirements of this plan.
- MS. PARKHOUSE: Thank you, Your Honor. I have no further questions at this time.

THE COURT: Cross examine.

MS. TEUTSCH: Yes, Your Honor.

#### CROSS EXAMINATION

### 17 BY MS. TEUTSCH:

- Q. Good evening, Mr. Rodney.
- A. Good evening.
- Q. Now, your experience is in business valuation, correct?
  - A. That is correct.
- 23 Q. You don't claim to be an expert in the stock

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- A. Yes, ma'am, I am a certified public accountant.
  - Q. But you have not been qualified an expert in the stock market?
  - A. Yes, ma'am. As I do perform valuation analysis, and have testified as an expert in different valuation cases.
  - Q. Valuation analysis does not encompass expertise in the stock market, does it, Mr. Rodney?
    - A. Yes, it does.
  - Q. Mr. Rodney, you were hired by MESS in this case, weren't you?
    - A. That is correct, M-E-S-S.
    - Q. When MESS hired you, it agreed to paid you half a million dollars?
  - A. That is correct, for all my time and hard work.
    - Q. Half a million dollars is about half of your income for the year, isn't it?
    - A. Yes, ma'am, just about.
    - Q. MESS is paying you about half of your yearly income for your hard work and testimony in this one

case; is that correct?

- A. That is correct.
- Q. Now, when MESS hired you, it did not instruct you to estimate the current value of Delaware Marine?
- A. Yes, ma'am. That's part of the reason I was hired to determine whether or not it could reach the \$20 per share offer. You have to look at its current state to determine that.
- Q. You did not estimate the current value of Delaware Marine. You were asked instead to estimate Delaware Marine's future stock price; isn't that correct.
- A. Yes, ma'am. I have that current stock price right here.
- Q. You understand, certainly, that there is a difference between a business's value and its stock price, don't you?
  - A. Yes, ma'am.
- Q. Therefore, you did not estimate the current value of Delaware Marine beyond that of its current stock price?
  - A. I myself, no.
- 23 Q. Rather than in being instructed to estimate

- Delaware Marine's current value, you were asked to predict its future stock price?
  - A. That is correct.
  - Q. MESS did not limit its instruction to the next few years?
    - A. No, ma'am.
  - Q. MESS, instead, asked to you determine whether or not Delaware Marine's stock prize would ever reach its \$20 offer?
    - A. Yes, ma'am, it never will.
  - Q. Now, there are many unknowns in the stock market, aren't there?
- 13 A. Yes.

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- Q. You certainly don't claim to be a fortune teller?
- A. No, ma'am. I can't say I am clairvoyant or anything.
  - Q. Predicting a company's stock price even a year or two in the future requires guess work, doesn't it?
    - A. Yes ma'am, and expertise in the field.
  - Q. You cannot state definitively what Delaware Marine's stock price will be a year or two from now?
- A. No, ma'am, but I can give you a very good

estimate if you look at their historically weak stock price.

- Q. But when you talk about predicting if a company's stock price will ever reach a certain value, you must agree that that prediction is nothing more than a wild guess because, as you said, you are not clairvoyant?
- A. No, ma'am, I wouldn't say a wild guess as you do have to look at all the past history of the stock market.
- Q. Is it your testimony that you can predict a company's stock price into the unforeseeable future and yet you are not clairvoyant?
  - A. No, ma'am. That is not what I said.
- Q. Well, you offered an opinion in this case that you could predict the company's stock price into the unforeseeable future?
- A. Yes, ma'am, based on all the evidence I have seen.
- Q. So it is your testimony that you can't predict the company's value into the unforeseeable future, yet you are willing to sit on that witness stand today and tell the jury that you can?

- A. No, ma'am. I making a prediction based on all of the evidence that I have seen.
  - Q. Well, let's move on talk about reality for a moment, shall we.

You testified on direct that you examined

Delaware Marine's stock price history?

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- Q. From 1986 until 2000, the stock price rose consistently every year?
  - A. Yes, ma'am. 1985 to 2000.
- 11 Q. In 2000, the stock price traded at \$22 per 12 share?
  - A. Yes, that is correct.
    - Q. Delaware Marine stock price has already traded at a price higher than MESS's offer?
- A. Yes, ma'am. However, that was merely decades ago.
  - Q. Yes, now, you also testified that you examined the comps, companies and comparable lines of business as part of your valuation analysis?
    - A. Yes, ma'am, I did.
- Q. You testified that the Texas Port sold in 2006 for \$25 per share?

1 A. Yes, ma'am.

- Q. And you are stated the reason for that was because none of other Ports have the Texas Hold-em cards; is that correct?
  - A. Correct.
- Q. Were your aware that Delaware Marine has already received a shipment of Texas Hold-em cards?
- A. Ma'am, I have seen no evidence of that whatsoever.
- Q. If Delaware Marine had already received a shipment of Texas Hold-em cards, would that change your opinion?
- A. No, ma'am, it certainly would not. The only reason the Texas port sold for as much as it did was because they had a highly specialized commodity. If several ports had Texas Hold-em cards, it wouldn't be a specialized commodity anymore.
- Q. Now, the Texas Port also sold for \$25 per share, its shipping lanes were dredged?
  - A. Yes, ma'am.
- Q. You are aware, as you testified on direct, you are aware of Delaware Marine's business plan to dredge its shipping lanes?

A. That is correct, but I have seen no evidence that it is going to happen.

- Q. If Delaware Marine's plan to dredge is successful, it could increase the value of Delaware Marine's stock?
- A. It could, but you have to remember this plan is on a ten-year roll out. If it is even marginally successful, it will not do the shareholders any good at all.
- Q. Mr. Rodney, you do not -- you are not an expert in business in general, are you?
- A. No, ma'am, but corporate financing I am an expert in.
- Q. You are not an expert in business in general, yet you can testify as to the viability of the plan as a whole, even though you only have expertise in the finances?
- A. Yes, ma'am. Because that is basically what this is for to improve the finances of the DAM Corporation.
- Q. If Delaware Marine plans to dredge is successful, as you said it may be, it is possible that it could increase the value of Delaware Marine's stock

past that of MESS's \$20 offer? 1 2 Ma'am, it could, but I see no evidence it is 3 going to happen anyway. 4 MS. TEUTSCH: I have nothing further. 5 THE COURT: Any redirect? REDIRECT EXAMINATION 6 BY MS. PARKHOUSE: 8 O. Yes, Your Honor. 9 Mr. Rodney, are you now testifying to the 10 future success of DAM for the rest of its existence, or 11 rather through the likelihood of its success under current management? 12 13 A. Just under its current management. 14 Q. Based on the trend of marine shipping, when is the likelihood that although DAM had reached its stock 15 16 market price of \$22 at one point in time, they will 17 receive that price again? In its current state, it never will. 18 Α. 19 MS. PARKHOUSE: Thank you, Your Honor. No 20 further questions. 21 THE COURT: Next witness.

MS. HARRIS: At this time the plaintiff calls

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Erin Sussex to the stand.

1 (Witness was previously sworn.)

#### 2 BY MS. HARRIS:

- Q. Please introduce yourself to the jury?
- A. My name is Erin Sussex. I am 59 years old, proud of it. I live in Wilmington, Delaware. I am a stockholder in DAM, also known as Delaware Auto and Marine.
- Q. Mr. Sussex, what is your educational background?
- A. I graduated from Wilmington High School in 1966. I vividly remember that because during that time they were playing Good Vibrations by the Beach Boys.

  Old Sussex had the grooves and moves. I say I still have it. You still got it.
  - Q. Are you currently employed?
- A. No, ma'am. I retired six-months ago after giving DAM a good 40 years.
- Q. Now, did you -- what was your original position at the company DAM?
- A. I started off as an office worker pretty much did whatever my boss told me to do, did a lot of errands, boss told me to make him coffee, I would ask how many scoops do you want, how many scoops of sugar

- do you want? If he asked me to pick up his laundry and his car, I would do just that.
  - Q. Did you have any other aspirations within the company?
  - A. Yes, ma'am. As you can imagine that necessarily wasn't my dream job. I always wanted to work on the docks where they unloaded and loaded cargo from around the world.
    - Q. Did you eventually become a dock worker?
    - A. Yes, ma'am, I did.

- Q. At the time of your retirement, what was your position on the dock?
- A. Warehouse foreman where I directed the unloaded cargo into the various warehouses.
- Q. Mr. Sussex, while warehouse foreman, did you work for any particular port?
  - A. Yes, ma'am, the Port of Wilmington.
- Q. Can you please describe the Port of Wilmington for the jury?
- A. Yes, ma'am, if I had to describe the Port of Wilmington with one word, it would be definitely be busy. We handle 400 vessels per year, that occupies approximately 300 acres of land.

- Q. How many warehouses did the Port have?
- A. About five warehouses, two of which are temperature controlled.

- Q. During your employment at the company DAM, was there ever any security breaches?
  - A. Yes, two big ones to my knowledge.
- Q. Can you please describe these incidents for the jury?
- A. Yes, ma'am. We had some yahoos sneak into our warehouse and steal some tennis shoes from one of our warehouses and end up having to get that fixed and then we had a severe fire ant problem with a shipment of bananas from South America. Pretty big deal, we had to call bio terrorism authorities and Custom agents.
- Q. Are there any specific safety requirements at the company DAM?
- A. Yes, ma'am. DAM requires employees to wear identification badges to allow them to gain access to the various warehouses.
  - Q. What are these badges exactly used for?
- A. They are supposed to prevent unauthorized personnel from getting in, but I will admit I did use my children's identification badges to get in to see

some of my good old buddies.

- Q. How would you describe your experiences at the company, DAM.
- A. Good company to work for. That is why I spent my 40 years there.
  - O. Who is the founder of DAM?
- A. Mr. Pat Kent.
  - Q. Have you ever come in contact with Pat Kent?
- A. Yes, I would run into Mr. Kent on the docks and we would have conversations.
- Q. Mr. Sussex, are you familiar with Jamie Newcastle?
  - A. I am familiar with Newcastle.
  - Q. What is Mr. Newcastle's position at the company?
    - A. Surprisingly, he is the head of security.
  - Q. Will you please explain to the jury exactly why you just stated "surprisingly?"
  - A. Yes, ma'am. Back in those days while

    Newcastle was working, there was a bit of a pilfering

    problem.
    - Q. Can you please elaborate?
- 23 A. Yes, ma'am, a couple years ago while Jamie and

I were working for DAM, we received some Sony televisions. He had them sitting out in the warehouse. They were good televisions. They had all these gadgets and gizmos on them, buttons. Back in my day we had to get up from where we were, and go up to the knob and had to turn it, had this big thing in the back, and the rabbit ears -- nonetheless, they were good televisions.

- Q. Were you ever able to observe these TVs in stock again -- were you able -- were you ever able to see these TVs again?
- A. Yes, Jamie invited me to go to a Super Bowl party that he was hosting. I noticed the same television that we received at the warehouse, same make and model and everything. I went up to Jamie and I asked him, hey, where did you get the television from, just out if curiosity. He told me Sears.
  - Q. Did you eventually go to Sears?
- A. Yes, ma'am, to try to compare the prices. I wanted one myself. It was a nice television.
- Q. Mr. Sussex, were you able to observe these TVs in stock and compare the prices?
- A. No, ma'am, they weren't even in stock yet, kind of gave me the raised eyebrow about Mr. Newcastle.

- Q. And, Mr. Sussex, have you become aware of an offer that MESS has proposed to DAM?

  A. Yes, ma'am, \$20 per share.
  - Q. When you first heard about this offer, what did you do?
  - A. I e-mailed Mr. Kent hoping that he would protect a long-standing family member.
    - Q. Did you get a response from Mr. Kent?
  - A. No, I received a response from one of his assistants. I guess he didn't have time for Mr. Sussex.
    - MS. HARRIS: Your Honor, let the record reflect I am now showing opposing counsel what has been premarked as Exhibit 6. May I approach the witness for identification purposes?

16 THE COURT: Yes, please.

### BY MS. HARRIS:

- Q. Mr. Sussex, without going into the content of Exhibit 6, can you please identify Exhibit 6 for the jury?
- A. Yes, ma'am, this is the response I received from Mr. Kent's assistant.
  - Q. Your Honor, at this time plaintiff tenders

Exhibit 6 into evidence. It's accuracy and authenticity have been stipulated.

MS. LEVINE: No objection, Your Honor.

THE COURT: It is admitted.

### BY MS. HARRIS:

Q. Yes, Your Honor.

Mr. Sussex, can you please read aloud to the jury the response that you received from Pat Kent's assistant?

A. I did not bring my glasses today, but I'll give it my best shot.

"Dear Erin; Mr. Kent asked me to respond to your message. As you can imagine, Pat is very busy right now, but asked me to tell you that it is not happening. Perry White and Lois Lane are among Pat's closest friends and he continues to make sure that they will act appropriately to dispose of Aladdin's scandalous offer."

- Q. Mr. Sussex, was there any particular reason that you sent Pat Kent this e-mail?
  - A. Yes, ma'am, so I can help my granddaughter.
  - Q. Can you please elaborate?
- 23 A. Yes, she suffers from a genetic disease. Her

- growth is stunted. She needs an experimental drug that costs \$10,000 per year.
- Q. Now, if the stock were to sell for its current price, would you be able to afford this experimental drug?
  - A. It would be extremely hard.

- Q. You are a shareholder with the company. How much have you invested?
- A. Every since I have worked for this company I have invested. Some years I invested \$100. Some years I invested \$1,000. My stock in DAM is 90 percent of my life savings.
- Q. How much do you stand to make if this proposed purchase goes through?
  - A. Almost \$150,000.
- Q. Mr. Sussex, prior to sending Pat Kent this e-mail, did he ever admit anything to you about the sale of his company Delaware Auto and Marine?
- A. I tell you what he said, he said he treats this company just like one of his children. That he would never sell it no matter what the price.
  - MS. HARRIS: No further questions, Your Honor.
- MS. LEVINE: Cross examination, Your Honor?

1 THE COURT: Yes. 2 CROSS EXAMINATION BY MS. LEVINE: 3 4 Q. Good evening, Mr. Sussex. Good evening. 5 Α. Now, you heard Mr. Rodney testify that there 6 was no ship load of Texas Hold-em cards. true Delaware Marine has received a shipment of Texas 8 Hold-em cards? 9 10 Ιt Yes, ma'am. Let's not get carried away. 11 would be one boat load of Texas Hold-em cards. believes in those cards like my grand children believe 12 13 in Santa Clause. 14 Mr. Sussex, you testified that you worked at 15 Delaware Marine for 40 years? 16 Α. Yes, ma'am, ever since I was 19 years old. 17 You testified you knew Mr. Kent? 0. 18 Α. Yes. 19 You knew Mr. Kent as a good person? Q. 20 Α. Yes, ma'am. Someone you considered down to earth? 21 Q.

A. Yes, but as of right now he has his head in the clouds.

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- 1 Q. Mr. Sussex, I would like you to, please, 2 answer the question that I am asking you. You considered Mr. Sussex to be down to earth, 3 4 didn't you? A. Yes and, again, he has his head in the clouds. 5 Q. Now, you would agree that under Mr. Kent's 6 7 leadership, you prospered? A. Yes, I did. 8 9 Q. You began working on the docks and you were 10 only making \$6 an hour? At first and then I ended up getting that 11 Α. payment increased. 12 13 Q. And by the time you were retired you were 14 making \$75 an hour? 15 A. Yes, ma'am. That is after giving DAM a good
  - 40 years. I worked for that.
  - Q. Delaware Marine also allowed you to buy stock in their company?
    - A. Yes, since I worked for it.

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- 0. And under Mr. Kent's leadership, Delaware Marine also prospered?
  - A. I believe so. Yes, ma'am.
- 23 O. From 1985 through 2000, the stock prices rose

# consistently?

- A. Not sure about that, ma'am.
- Q. DAM's stock price -- is it your testimony that as a stockholder you are not sure how the stock price has risen throughout the years?
- A. I didn't necessarily keep up with it all the years. So I am not too familiar with where it started off at in 1985.
- Q. Are you aware that Delaware Marine's stock is already traded at a high of \$22 per share?
  - A. Yes, ma'am, I am kind of familiar with that.
- Q. So you are aware, then, that Delaware Marine's stock has already traded higher than the \$20 per share offered by Stevedore Services?
- A. With that I am not too familiar with. You'll have to forgive me, my memory is not all that good.
- Q. Well, Mr. Sussex, you would agree that \$20 per share is less than \$22 per share, wouldn't you?
  - A. I can do math, I don't get that confused.
- Q. So Stevedore Service's offer of \$20 per share is less than the current -- then how high DAM's stock has been trading in the past, correct?
  - A. Yes, I believe so.

Q. Now, Mr. Sussex, please understand that we all sympathize with you and your family over your grand daughter's illness. We wish only the best for you and your grand daughter, but don't you believe that Delaware Marine's board of directors must consider the best interest for all of the stockholders when considering the offer?

- A. Yes, ma'am and Mr. Kent is not doing that.

  That is the problem that we are having here today.
- Q. Mr. Sussex, the board of directors must consider not based only on the personal circumstance of one stockholder?
- A. I don't believe so, but can you help me out here, ma'am?
- Q. No matter how compelling that stockholder's needs are, Delaware Marine's board must follow the best interest of all stockholders?
- A. Yes. And again, that is the problem, Mr. Kent is not doing that.
- Q. Mr. Sussex, do you know that Delaware Marine's board must make its decision based on the best interest of all the stockholders in the long term?
- A. Yes. But, again, Mr. Kent is not doing that.

- Q. Do you also understand that the board of directors must make their best -- must make their interest -- must make their decision based on the best interest of national security?
  - A. Yes, I believe so. Yes, ma'am.
- Q. Now, you testified that the Port of Wilmington is one of the busiest ports?
  - A. Yes, it is.

- Q. The Delaware River is a huge port for international shipping?
  - A. Yes, ma'am, it is.
- Q. And the Port of Wilmington is within driving distance of Washington, D.C.
- MS. HARRIS: Objection, Your Honor pursuant to Rule 402, this is irrelevant.
- MS. LEVINE: Your Honor, pursuant to Rule 401, this is relevant as an issue in this case is whether Stevedore Services is connected to terrorism, and it is their material tie to terrorism would pose a threat to national security. The proximity of the Port of Wilmington to New York City and Washington, DC the financial and political capitals of this world is extremely relevant as it goes to the fact that if

- 1 Stevedore Services controls the Port of Wilmington, 2 they could make an easy attack at the heart of the 3 country. THE COURT: Well, your question is simply does 4 5 he know how close the Port is to Washington, DC, 6 correct? 7 MS. LEVINE: Yes, Your Honor. 8 THE COURT: The objection is overruled. MS. HARRIS: Yes, Your Honor. 9 10 BY MS. LEVINE: 11 Q. Mr. Sussex, the Port of Wilmington is within driving distance of New York City? 12 13 A. Yes, it is. 14 The port of Wilmington is within driving Q. distance of Washington, DC? 15 16 A. Yes, it is. 17 Now, one of the allegations in this case is 0. that Stevedore Services has material ties to terrorism. 18 19 Have you heard that? 20
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As a stockholder, if it were true that Q. Stevedore Services had material ties to terrorism, would it be in your best interest for Delaware Marine to be run by terrorists?

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- A. No, it wouldn't, but as I know, they don't have that problem.
- Q. As a stockholder, would it be in your best interest for Delaware Marine -- would it change your mind on whether or not to accept the offer if Stevedore Services had ties to terrorism?
- A. Yes, but I know they don't have that problem.

  That is why I need this deal to go through.
- Q. Mr. Sussex, are you an expert in national security?
  - A. No, but I know what terrorism is.
  - Q. Are you an expert in terrorism?
- A. No, but I would be watching the news.
- 15 Q. Are you an expert in Stevedore Services?
- A. No, I'm not, but I know they don't have material ties to terrorism?
  - Q. Then you can't say that you know definitively whether or not Stevedore Services has ties to terrorism, can you?
  - A. Yes, I can, because to my knowledge they don't have terrorism problems.
- 23 MS. LEVINE: Nothing further.

1	THE COURT: Any redirect?
2	REDIRECT EXAMINATION
3	BY MS. HARRIS:
4	Q. To your knowledge, does the company MESS have
5	any ties to terrorists?
6	A. No, and if that was the issue, I wouldn't
7	MS. LEVINE: Objection, Your Honor, lack of
8	personal knowledge. Move to strike that question as
9	leading, as well.
L <sub>0</sub>	MS. HARRIS: Your Honor, pursuant to Rule
L1	701(a) this is the witness's rationally based
L2	perception and opposing counsel went into this on
L3	cross-examination.
L4	THE COURT: The record reflects the question
L5	was does he know or have any information that suggests
L6	they are related to terrorism?
L7	MS. HARRIS: Within his own personal
L8	knowledge.
L9	THE COURT: His answer is no.
20	MS. HARRIS: Yes, Your Honor.
21	THE COURT: The objection is overruled.
22	BY MS. HARRIS:
23	O. To your own personal knowledge, does the

1	company MESS have any ties to terrorists?
2	A. No, they do not.
3	MS. HARRIS: No further questions, Your Honor.
4	MS. PARKHOUSE: At this time plaintiff rests.
5	THE COURT: You may step down. Defense ready
6	to proceed?
7	MS. LEVINE: Your Honor, Delaware Marine calls
8	Pat Kent. Mr. Kent.
9	(The witness was previously sworn.)
LO	DIRECT EXAMINATION
L1	BY MS. LEVINE:
L2	Q. Good evening, Mr. Kent.
L3	A. Good evening.
L4	Q. Could you please state your fall name and
L5	spell your last?
L6	A. Yes, my name is Pat Kent, K-E-N-T.
L7	Q. What is your profession?
L8	A. Well, I am the CEO and President at Delaware
L9	Marine.
20	Q. Did you start Delaware Marine?
21	A. Yes, I did, back in 1965 when I hardly had two
22	nickles to rub together.
23	Q. What do you do as CEO?

- A. Just about everything. I oversee the day-to-day operations down at the marine cargo terminal. I like to keep the ship running straight, as they say.
  - Q. Where is your company located?
  - A. Right here in Wilmington, Delaware.
  - Q. Why did you choose Wilmington?
  - A. There is lot of reasons. Wilmington has such a strong history in shipping. It's got a strong work force, too. Moment I layed eyes on it, I knew this was the right city.
    - Q. Has Delaware Marine been successful?
    - A. Very successful.

- Q. How do you define success?
- A. It is more than just the stock price, it's having satisfied customers, and energized work force, having the ability to look into the long-term benefit for our stockholders.
- Q. Mr. Rodney testified that the peak high of Delaware Marine has been \$22 per share; is that true?
- A. I wouldn't call it our peak at all. We have got a bright future ahead of us.
- O. Mr. Kent, I would like to direct your

attention to the testimony that was given that Delaware Marine stock price dropped after 9/11. Did your company have a plan to bring the stock price back up to where it was?

- A. Absolutely. As the board of directors of Delaware Marine, we have a winning strategy to take that company from good to great.
  - Q. Could you explain that strategy for the jury?
- A. Definitely. There two parts to the plan, the first part is to dredge the Delaware River and the second part is to upgrade the Port.
- Q. Why is dredging the Delaware River part of your strategy?
- A. You have to understand that when you dredge the Delaware River you will be able to get larger ships in, super class cargo ships, and with those super class cargo ships we will have more cargo. More cargo means more business, more business means more profits, and more profit means a higher stock price.
- Q. Why is upgrading the Port of Wilmington in your strategy?
- A. Well, we will be handling more cargo and after we upgrade the Port we will be able to do it more

efficiently.

- Q. I would like to move on from your strategy to increase the stock price in your company to another important issue in this case, whether or not Delaware Marine's Board made an informed by decision and exercised good faith when it rejected Mess's offer.

  Now, during opening statements opposing counsel stated that you said you would never sell DAM no matter the price; is that true?
  - A. No. I have never said that.
- Q. Mr. Kent, why did the board choose to reject MESS's offer?
- A. In our best business judgement the board came to believe that it was not in the best interest of our stockholders.
- Q. Why was it not in the best interest of your stockholders?
- A. Well, there were two major reasons. The first one is that is not a fair price to the stockholders.
  - Q. How is MESS's offer not a fair price?
- A. Well, all you have to do is be like

  Mr. Rodney, look at the numbers. The stock price has

  been trading at a higher price before, and the board

firmly believes it will be trading at a higher price again.

- Q. What is the second reason you chose to reject the offer?
- A. Well, the current leadership at Delaware Marine has the institutional knowledge and experience that MESS cannot buy.
  - Q. Why is that significant?

- A. With that institutional knowledge and that experience, we will be able to bring this company back up to where it was and then some.
- Q. We heard from Mr. Sussex today, a stockholder in Delaware Marine, did you consider the stockholders when you chose to reject the offer?
- A. Absolutely. I love Erin, he is not kidding about the Good Vibrations. This man's got the moves. But you have to understand that our duty to the stockholders goes beyond what they want right now.
- Q. Well, did you -- Mr. Kent I would like to direct your attention to the fact there might be any other reasons that the board rejected MESS's offer; are there any other reasons?
  - A. Yes, there are.

O. What are the other reasons?

A. The board of directors at Delaware Marine came to believe that MESS has direct ties to terrorism.

MS. PARKHOUSE: Objection, Your Honor, pursuant to Rule 701 this is the witness's opinion.

MS. LEVINE: Response?

THE COURT: Yes.

MS. LEVINE: Your Honor, as a lay witness and head of the board of directors and CEO and president of Delaware Marine, this witness certainly has the personal knowledge to testify about this. Seeing it is rationally based on his perception to assist the tryer of fact why the board rejected MESS's offer.

MS. PARKHOUSE: Your Honor, if I may respond. Pursuant to Rule 4.18.2, no foundation has been laid as to any knowledge that this witness does or does not have about the corporation MESS; and, therefore, any speculation about their ties to terrorism would be just that, would be outside the scope of his personal knowledge pursuant to Rule 602.

THE COURT: Counsel it is very difficult for me to understand how a witness's opinion as a lay witness can be rationally base if I don't know the

basis for that opinion. So the objection is sustained.

MS. LEVINE: Would you like me to lay the foundation, Your Honor?

THE COURT: If you can, I will give you that opportunity.

## BY MS. LEVINE:

- Q. Mr. Kent, why did the board believe that MESS had ties to terrorism?
- A. Well, after we received their offer, our attorneys hired a man, an expert in terrorism to investigate the company during our due diligence process. We learned from him -- he is actually here today so you will be able to hear from him -- we learned about ties from terrorism.
- Q. Did you make it known that you oppose MESS's offer?
  - A. Yes, we did.
  - O. How?
- A. As president of Delaware Marine I spoke publically about it.
- Q. Did the board of directors do -- to your knowledge, did MESS know that the board of directors believed that MESS was tied to terrorism?

MS. PARKHOUSE: Objection, Your Honor, 1 2 pursuant to Rule 602, this asks for the witness to speculate outside his scope of his knowledge. 3 4 MS. LEVINE: Response? 5 THE COURT: Yes. MS. LEVINE: Your Honor, pursuant to Rule 602, 6 I am not asking this witness to speculate. I am asking 8 him to testify about his own personal belief, which is 9 not speculation. MS. PARKHOUSE: Your Honor, if I may respond? 10 THE COURT: 11 Yes. MS. PARKHOUSE: Well, if she is asking for his 12 13 belief and it is opinion, pursuant to Rule 701, it is still inadmissible. 14 15 THE COURT: Let me make sure I understand the 16 question. Can you repeat the question? 17 BY MS. LEVINE: To your knowledge, did MESS believe -- excuse 18 Q. 19 me, Your Honor, to your knowledge, did MESS know that 20 the board believed that MESS was tied to terrorism? 21 THE COURT: Can you direct the witness to a 22 particular point in time?

MS. LEVINE: Yes, Your Honor.

1 THE COURT: The reason I ask is that is stated 2 in the pleadings, isn't it? MS. LEVINE: Yes, Your Honor. 3 4 THE COURT: At what point in time are you 5 asking the witness did his opinion about when the opponent knew. 6 7 When DAM's board of directors MS. LEVINE: 8 rejected the offer. 9 THE COURT: Is it not true, counsel, that is 10 part of the pleadings? 11 MS. PARKHOUSE: Yes, Your Honor. THE COURT: So we know that at least at some 12 13 point there is reason to believe that they believed the 14 board made its decision based upon terrorism ties. MS. PARKHOUSE: Yes, Your Honor. 15 16 THE COURT: Okay. The objection is overruled. 17 BY MS. LEVINE: 18 Ο. Mr. Kent, to your knowledge, did MESS know 19 that the board believed that MESS was tied to 20 terrorism? 21 Yes, I believe they did. Α. 22 Q. Why do you say that they knew?

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- that they knew we didn't vote the anti-terrorism

  statute.

  Q. When did they file the complaint?

  A. September 1, 2007 simultaneously with when it
  - praised its offer to \$20.

    Q. Did it concern the board that MESS files its

    offer -- files their complaint and raised their offer
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- A. Absolutely.
- 10 Q. Why?
  - A. It led the board of directors at Delaware

    Marine to believe that the offer was not made in good

    faith.
    - Q. Why did the board of directors believe that MESS's offer was not made in good faith?
    - A. MESS must have known we couldn't accept any offer they made whether it was \$20 per stock or \$1 million.
    - Q. Why would you not accept their offer even if it was \$1 million per stock?
    - A. Because in the United States of America we don't do business with terrorists.
- 23 MS. LEVINE: Thank you. Nothing further.

## 1 CROSS EXAMINATION 2 BY MS. PARKHOUSE: Q. Mr. Kent, DAM is headed by a board of 3 directors, correct? 5 Α. Correct. Q. That board of director has five members, 6 correct? 8 A. Yes. Q. You are the chair of that board, correct? 9 A. I am. I was elected chairman. 10 11 Q. Three member are your family members, correct? 12 A. Yes. 13 Q. And one is your personal employee, your accountant Lois Lane? 14 A. Correct. She is a smart cookie. 15 16 Q. In fact three of your board of directors have 17 no affiliation with the company other than serving as a board members, correct? 18 19 A. You could say that, yes. 20 Q. That is how you stated in your sworn affidavit, correct, Mr. Kent? 21

Q. In fact, it would be the decision of the board

A. Yes, that's correct.

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- of directors to redeem the poison pill and allow the offer by MESS to go through, correct?
- A. Absolutely, the board goes over any huge corporation decision.
- Q. Mr. Kent, you did, in fact, create a business plan which you hoped would stimulates DAM's business, correct?
  - A. That is correct.

- Q. However, you did not hire a certified public accountant to make a valuation analysis of this business plan, did you?
  - A. No, we didn't feel that was necessary.
- Q. You have not brought forth any expert in accounting or finance in order to testify about the likelihood of your business's success, correct?
- A. That is correct. If you want to ask some questions about, I am right here, though.
- Q. But, in fact, you brought forth no documentation or witnesses apart from your own testimony which would corroborate that this business plan has any potential for success, correct?
- A. Well, I suppose Jamie could tell you about it but I am not really sure.

1	Q. In fact, the only expert whom you brought
2	forth in today's case was Chris Read, correct?
3	A. <b>No.</b>
4	Q. You have brought forth Chris Read to
5	investigate terrorism, correct?
6	A. Yes.
7	Q. And as you stated on direct, you hired Mr.
8	Read after you received the offer from MESS, correct?
9	A. You know, that was part of my lawyer's deal.
LO	I think they get him.
L1	Q. And prior to that you had no personal
L2	knowledge about the nation of Aladdin, correct?
L3	A. No, I had heard about it, but I didn't really
L4	know that much about it.
L5	Q. You did feel it was necessary to hire a
L6	terrorism consultant to corroborate your suspicions
L7	that they had international ties to terrorism, correct?
L8	A. Absolutely, ma'am.
L9	Q. Which you had these suspicions prior to hiring
20	Chris Read, correct, Mr. Kent?
21	A. Ma'am, it is part of due diligence process
22	that you investigate any company trying to buy you out.

Q. You acknowledge that your stock market price

is low; isn't that true, Mr. Kent?

- A. Ma'am, I do feel it under values that great American company that Delaware Marine is.
- Q. As of January of 2007, your entire board believed that the stock market price would be attractive to potential acquirers such as MESS; isn't that true?
  - A. That is correct. And that proves true.
- Q. Which is why you enacted the shareholders rights plan, correct?
  - A. Correct, the board voted on it.
- Q. And why you created your business plan; isn't that true?
  - A. Not necessarily.
- Q. Now, however, you did create your business plan in order to try to stimulate your business and, therefore, to increase your stock market price, correct, Mr. Kent?
  - A. Correct.
- Q. Now, the first step which you intend to take in this business plan is to support the dredging of the shipping lanes in the Delaware River; isn't that true?
- 23 A. Yes.

- In order to do this you must first secure the 1 Ο. 2 participation of the Army Corps of Engineers, right? That's right. I will have to give them a 3 A. 4 call. And as to date, you have not spoken with 5 anyone from the Army Corps of Engineers, correct? 6 7 No, that's correct. I haven't gotten around 8 to that quite yet. And it is, in fact, May of 2008, correct, Mr. 9 Ο. 10 Kent? 11 I believe so. Α. 12 Q. You enacted this plan almost a year and a half 13 ago, correct? 14 That's correct. Α. 15 Yet you are telling this jury that you have 16 the not even begun to take the first step which you 17 intend to take to increase the business of DAM? I am sorry, ma'am, I don't think you 18 Α. 19 understand my plan. I want to have the funding first.
  - Q. However you do first state in your business plan securing the participation of the Army Corps of Engineers as you state in your sworn affidavit,

So I have been working on securing that.

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correct, Mr. Kent?

- A. Yes, that's right. I just feel like we should have the funding before that.
- Q. And as of right now there is absolutely no contacts between anyone from the Army Corps of Engineers and anyone from DAM, correct?
  - A. No, I have not contacted them yet.
- Q. Now, the second step which you intend to take is to retrofit the facility at the Port of Wilmington to accommodates larger ships, right?
  - A. Absolutely.
- Q. And in order to do this, you must first secure 100 million dollars of funding which DAM does not currently have, right?
  - A. That's correct.
- Q. Now you've already sent out various feelers to see if you can receive this funding, correct?
  - A. That I have.
- Q. However you have only received one response to date; isn't that true?
- A. Well, I have been talking in particular to one of my good banker buddies.
- 23 Q. In fact this is a personal friend of yours,

right?

- A. Yeah, I know Paul. We go way back.
- Q. Who owns a local bank, right?
- A. Well, it's pretty local. It's over in Philly.
- Q. However, in fact, Paul cannot at this point support this retrofitting, correct?
  - A. Not at the time.
- Q. Because his bank is having to deal with some bad loan write offs and they have get those back before they can even consider supporting this project, right?
- A. That's correct. I think he is pretty tied up right now.
- Q. However, once you get -- this local bank gets those bad loan write offs back, they will be able to give you the \$100 million you need, right, Mr. Kent?
  - A. I firmly believe that.
- Q. Now, the second -- sorry the third step which you intend to take is to hire additional employees, correct?
- A. That's correct. We are going to expand our familiar.
  - Q. Which requires more funding, right?
  - A. Yes, it will. If we have more employees, we

- will need to pay them.
  - Q. Those are the only three steps which you include in your business plan, correct?
    - A. No.
    - Q. You solely -- you include retrofitting?
- A. Yes.

- Q. Supporting the dredging of the Delaware shipping lanes?
  - A. Correct.
  - Q. Hiring new employees, correct?
- A. Yes, but each section has quite a few subsections. I wouldn't really categorize it as only having those three sections.
- Q. However, at this point, Mr. Kent, you cannot go ahead with a single step of your business plan despite the fact you have enacted it for over a year, correct?
- A. Well, it is not correct. I could go out in the hall and call the Army Corps of Engineers if you would like me.
- Q. However luckily you have ten years to make that phone call to the Army Corps of Engineers; isn't that true?

- A. I intend to get it done pretty soon.
- Q. Now, you don't include anywhere in your business plan, plans to increase the security of your Port, do you?
- A. Not at this time. I feel we are constantly improving security. You can ask Jamie about that.
- Q. And, in fact, you don't include anywhere in your business plan, plans to bring in new commodities in order to stimulate DAM's business, correct?
  - A. New commodities?

- Q. Yes, you don't include anywhere in your business plan trying to bring in shipments of Texas

  Hold-em playing cards because you believe that it will help to bring in more revenue, correct?
- A. We've already gotten the Texas Hold-em cards coming in at the time.
- Q. You didn't include that anywhere in your sworn affidavit or your business plan, did you, Mr. Kent?
- A. No, I did not think that was necessary. We already heard it.
- Q. Now, let's talk about what you are aware of in today's case. You are aware that shareholders owning more than 51 percent of the shares of DAM have already

tendered their shares, correct?

- A. Yes. That's been brought to my attention.
- Q. In fact, you answered it in your answer to the complaint by MESS, correct?
  - A. That's correct.
- Q. In fact, you own 40 percent of the remaining 49 shares which have not been tendered to this date, correct?
- A. I'm not too good at math either, but I think that sounds about right.
- Q. You do state in your sworn affidavit owning 40 percent of the shares in DAM, correct?
  - A. Correct.
- Q. And 100 minus 51 is 49 percent which remain untendered, correct?
- 16 A. Yes.
  - Q. In fact, you have also been approached by shareholders such as Erin Sussex who begged you to redeem the poison pill and allow the offer by MESS to go through, correct?
  - A. Erin has e-mailed me about it, but I haven't gotten around to actually, personally speaking to him about it.

- Q. Despite the fact he is begging you to look out for his best interests by redeeming the poison pill, correct?
  - A. Ma'am, you have to understand that looking out for a stockholder's best interest doesn't necessarily constitute looking at the immediate payout.
- Q. Now, as you have already stated, you hired Mr. Read in order to corroborate your suspicions that there are international ties to terrorism with the nation of Aladdin, correct?
- A. We asked him to investigate and that is what he returned with.
- Q. However, you are making this decision to refuse the poison pill based on matters of national security, correct?
  - A. That is correct.
- Q. Mr. Kent, you have never become aware of a terrorist attacked which would be linked to Devereaux Terry, have you?
  - A. Not particularly.
- Q. In fact, you are not personally familiar with Devereaux Terry at all, are you?
- A. No, I am not.

1 Q. You have refused to speak with any person on 2 behalf of MESS, correct? That is correct. I didn't feel it necessary 3 to speak to the terrorist organization. 5 However, you also had no information in which a terrorist attack could ever be linked to MESS, 6 correct? A. That's correct. 8 And you also have no information of any 9 terrorist attack which would be linked to the nation of 10 11 Aladdin, correct, Mr. Kent? 12 Α. Not to my knowledge. 13 MS. PARKHOUSE: Thank you, Your Honor. 14 no further questions. THE COURT: Any redirect? 15 16 MS. LEVINE: No need, Your Honor. 17 THE COURT: You my step down. Next witness. 18 MS. TEUTSCH: Your Honor, at this time Delaware Marine calls James Newcastle. 19 20 (The witness was previously sworn.) 21 DIRECT EXAMINATION 22 BY MS. TEUTSCH: 23 O. Good evening, Mr. Newcastle.

A. Good evening.

- Q. Please State your full name and spell your last name for the record?
  - A. I am James Newcastle, N-E-W-C-A-S-T-L-E.
  - Q. Where do you live?
  - A. Right here in Wilmington.
  - Q. Where do you work?
  - A. I work at Delaware Marine.
  - Q. What do you do at Delaware Marine?
- A. I am the head of security and I have been working in that position since 2004 when I was appointed.
- Q. What qualifications did you have in order to receive that appointment?
- A. I attend Rodney College and earned my degree in criminal justice. I also have years of experience working with both marine cargo and port security.
  - Q. What do you do as head of security?
- A. Well, as we all know security is very important, especially at a port of entry and I am responsible for establishing the security measures at Delaware Marine, to protect people, cargo and ships that pass through our port. I also supervise the

entire security force.

- Q. Why is it important that measures are in place to protect the Port of Wilmington?
- A. We are a busy international port. If our port is not secure, our business cannot function and the country is not safe.
- Q. You testified that you are responsible for creating measures that protect the people that enter the Port of Wilmington. How many people pass through the Port of Wilmington?
- A. Well, hundreds of thousands of people pass through our Port on cruise liners a ferry ships.
- Q. Why is it important that cargo that enters the Port of Wilmington be secure?
- A. Well, obviously, people entrust us with the protection of their property. We take that very seriously at Delaware Marine. We also need to make sure nothing dangerous or illegal gets into our country.
- $\ensuremath{\mathbb{Q}}.$  How much cargo passes through the Port of Wilmington every year?
- A. We have more than 400 ships carrying more than four million tons of cargo pass through our port in any

given year.

- Q. Why is it important that the vessels that enter the Port of Wilmington be protected from harm?
- A. These ships themselves they are tremendously expensive and we also need to make sure some of these ships are protected because they have invaluable historic significance to us here in Wilmington.
- Q. What ships pass through the Port of Wilmington that are of invaluable historic significance?
- A. We host ships from the Cape May/Lewes Ferry fleet. We host tall ship regattas. We are extremely proud to say we have been the home Delaware's tall ship the Kalmar Nyckel. We even brought Naval vessels, both foreign and domestic.
- Q. What are the potential ramifications of a breach of security at the Port of Wilmington?
- A. They are disastrous. Our Port is within driving distance of New York, Philadelphia, Washington, DC. A breach of security here would have unimaginable repercussions there.
- Q. Mr. Newcastle, I would like to take the opportunity to allow you to address some of the things Mr. Sussex said. He talked about an instance in which

1 had you to call in bio terrorism experts. Could you 2 please explain to the jury what happened? Yes, we received a bad batch of bananas from a 3 Α. 4 foreign country, and fire ants are an invasive species. 5 We took every precaution necessary to make sure no harm came of them. 6 7 Were the bio terrorism experts because there Ο. 8 was a significant problem, or were they simply a 9 precaution? 10 Well, they were a precaution to make sure they 11 don't get into the environment in Wilmington. Now, opposing counsel insinuated that you have 12 Q. 13 stolen a TV from Delaware Marine. How do you respond 14 to that? 15 Ma'am, that is simply not true. I have never 16 been involved in any theft from our Port and neither 17 have any of our employees. 18 Q. To your knowledge, does MESS operate a marine 19 cargo term in the Port of Wilmington? 20 Α. No, ma'am, they don't. To your knowledge, has MESS every operated a 21 Ο.

marine cargo terminal in the Port of Wilmington?

A. No, they haven't.

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- Q. To your knowledge, has MESS ever operated a marine cargo terminal in the United States?
  - A. No, ma'am they haven't.
- Q. Do you know how long Delaware Marine has operated in the Port of Wilmington?
  - A. Yes, I do.

- Q. How long?
- A. 43 years now.
- Q. Based on this knowledge, does MESS have as much experience with operating a marine cargo terminal in the Port of Wilmington as Delaware Marine has?
- MS. HARGIS: Objection, Your Honor, pursuant to Rule 701 this would cause this witness to make an opinion on this statement.
- MS. TEUTSCH: Response, Your Honor?

  THE COURT: Yes.
  - MS. TEUTSCH: This witness has testified that he is aware of the fact that MESS has -- does not now nor has it ever operated a marine cargo terminal in the Port of Wilmington let alone the United States and that Delaware Marine has been operating at the Port of Wilmington for the past 43 years. In this instance it is proper for this witness to draw the opinion that

1	because Delaware Marine has been operating for so long
2	in the Port of Wilmington, it does have more experience
3	with port operations then MESS does.
4	THE COURT: Objection is overruled.
5	MS. HARGIS: Yes, Your Honor.
6	BY MS. TEUTSCH:
7	Q. Based on your knowledge of the facts about
8	which you just testified, does MESS have as much
9	experience with operating a marine cargo terminal in
10	the Port of Wilmington as Delaware Marine?
11	A. No, ma'am. MESS has no experience. We have
12	43 years of it.
13	Q. To your knowledge as head of security at
14	Delaware Marine, has there than ever been a serious
15	breach of security?
16	A. No, ma'am, there hasn't. Not a lot of ports
17	can claim that.
18	MS. TEUTSCH: Thank you, Mr. Newcastle. I
19	have nothing further.
20	THE COURT: Cross.
21	CROSS EXAMINATION
22	BY MS. HARGIS:
23	Q. Mr. Newcastle, you are head of security at

- Delaware Auto Marine Corporation, correct?
  - A. Yes, I am.

- Q. And prior to being appointed as this head of security, you were a forklift operator, is that not true?
- A. Yes. When I first started working, I worked at various positions in between them.
- Q. Now, you state that you don't know about foreign countries or foreign policy, correct?
  - A. I don't know much about them.
- Q. But you do know about the Port of Wilmington; isn't that true?
  - A. Yes, I do.
- Q. And it's true that the Coast Guard is the first line of defense in the Port of Wilmington, correct?
- A. Yes, they do random sweeps of ships entering the mouth of the Delaware Bay.
- Q. The Coast guard only inspects one of out every 20 vessels that passes through Delaware Bay, correct?
  - A. Yes, they are not very efficient.
- Q. Now, you state that your company, security is a top priority; isn't that correct?

1 A. It is and has to be.

Q. However, you only check randomly the vessels that is come into your Port, as well; isn't that true?

MS. TEUTSCH: On objection, Your Honor. May I assume we have approached the bench for a hypothetical sidebar to argue this objection?

THE COURT: Okay.

MS. TEUTSCH: Your Honor, I simply wish to argue this objection out of the hearing of the jury. However, it is my understanding that the jury must hear.

THE COURT: Yes. Under the rules, as I understand them, you are correct.

MS. TEUTSCH: Your Honor I object under Rule
401 relevance. There is no relevance to the security
measures currently in place at Delaware Marine. It
makes no consequential fact in this case more or less
probable and it go to no issue. That is, that a
combination between MESS and Delaware Marine would pose
a threat to national security. That MESS has ties to
international terrorism, or the breach of fiduciary
duty. The security measures currently in place at
Delaware Marine go to none of these. For this witness

to testify about them would be irrelevant and more
prejudicial than probative.

MS. HARGIS: If I may respond, Your Honor.

THE COURT: Yes.

MS. HARGIS: Pursuant to Rule 401, this testimony is highly relevant and it goes directly to this witness's credibility and lack of qualifications as head of security, and the lack of qualifications of the security systems at Delaware Auto and Marine.

THE COURT: It seems to me that you introduced the subject of his knowledge about security at the Port and the jury can draw whatever fair inferences they wish about his credibility in that regard. Objection is overruled.

## BY MS. HARGIS:

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Now, you only conduct random checks of the cargo that comes into your Port, correct?

- A. Yes, we do. We check 40 percent of all ships passing through our port.
- Q. You only checked two to three vessels per week, correct?
- A. That's an average.

And on these vessels you only check four or 1 Ο. 2 five containers; isn't that true? On average that's true. 3 Α. 4 Now, you adamantly discount MESS's plan to Ο. 5 install an X-ray scanning system, correct? Α. Excuse me, what? 6 7 You adamantly discount MESS's plan to install Q. an X-ray scanning system, if they acquire DAM, correct? 8 Yes, these scanning devices haven't passed 9 Α. 10 inspection by the Department of Homeland Security. 11 They are very -- they are untested and they are 12 unapproved. 13 Q. You say this would not prevent hazardous 14 material from being offloaded into the Port, correct? 15 Α. No, ma'am. I don't believe they would. 16 Ο. However, you have never spoken to anyone 17 involved in security at MESS; isn't that true? 18 Α. Not with MESS, no. 19 You have never spoken to anyone at MESS at Q. 20 all, have you? No, I haven't. 21 Α.

So you have no evidence to base this claim;

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isn't that correct?

A. I am very familiar with these Gamma Ray 1 2 scanners. Now, you state that the security card system 3 Q. 4 in your port is effective; isn't that correct? 5 Yes, it prevents unauthorized access to the premises and warehouses. 6 7 However, you state that your employees often Q. ignore this measure; isn't that true? 8 9 Α. There was a point in time where employees lent 10 cards between other employees. 11 Now, Russian made pistols and even dynamite Q. have been found in your warehouse, correct? 12 13 Yes, those are two examples of our security Α. 14 finding a threat and neutralizing it. 15 Q. These Russian made pistols are not found 16 because of any security procedure at your company, 17 correct? 18 Α. Well, no, we found them while offloading from 19 a ship. 20 Q. You found them because you dropped a crate and you happened to find some Russian made pistols, 21 22 correct?

Yes, those were the circumstances.

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1 Q. You haven't decided to suggest to Pat Kent to 2 invest in an x-ray scanning device to prevent such a security breach, correct? 3 4 No, ma'am. We choose to use reliable methods that have been tried and true. 5 Like your guard dogs and quick security 6 Q. 7 checks, correct? 8 Α. Yes, ma'am. They are very efficient. O. Your Honor let the record reflect I am 9 10 approaching opposing counsel with what has been 11 previously marked as Exhibit 5. May I approach witness for identification purposes? 12 13 THE COURT: Yes. 14 BY MS. HARGIS: Mr. Newcastle, Exhibit 5 is an evaluation that 15 Q. 16 you requested and received from Secret Security 17 Consultants, LLC, correct? 18 Yes two years ago we asked them to evaluate 19 and recommend improvements to our security. 20 0. And you requested this as you were in the

Q. Your Honor, at this time the plaintiff enters

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Exhibit 5. Its authenticity has been stipulated and

pursuant to Rule 803.6 it is a document made in the

regular course of business?

MS. TEUTSCH: Your Honor, I object to hearsay on the grounds that this Exhibit does not meet the requirements provided under Rule 803(6). This is not -- there is no foundation that has been laid that it was made at or near the time by a person with knowledge and there is no foundation laid that is, in fact, made in the course of regularly conducted business activity. The foundation has not been laid that these things are true; and, therefore, the Exhibit does not meet the requirements under 803(6), exception to hearsay.

THE COURT: Response.

MS. HARGIS: Your Honor, under the Rule -under Rule 803.6 it also suggests that to admit a
business record the person being questioned must be a
qualified witness of the document, and as Mr. Newcastle
requested and received this document for the purpose of
evaluating his own company, we contend that he is a
qualified witness of the document.

THE COURT: The objection is overruled. 1 will be admitted. 2 MS. HARGIS: Yes, Your Honor. 3 4 BY MS. HARGIS: Direct Your Honor's attention to part of this 5 Ο. document. In this document it states "Set forth below 6 7 in Section I are specific criteria that we believe are essential to the provision of minimum security of all 8 international ports of call." Correct? 9 10 Α. Yes, that is what it says. 11 Now, in Section IA(4) it states that you lack Q. 12 an auditing system in place to identify security 13 breaches in your company, correct? 14

A. Well, yes, the auditing system would help investigate potential breaches that came from employees. We never had a problem with our employees.

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- Q. Because you do not have this auditing system, you cannot tell this jury that you have properly identified all security breaches in your Port, correct?
- A. Ma'am, that would help us identify the source of a security breach, not the security breach itself.
- Q. You cannot tell this jury that you have been able to identify a source of a security breach,

#### correct?

- A. Nom, ma'am, it is very rare that we are able to identify a specific source of a security breach.
- Q. Now, in Section II it gives you recommendations for your company, correct?
  - A. Yes, it does.
- Q. And it States, "In order make DAM first rate in terms of security and anti-terrorism measures..." and then it gives you recommendations in order to improve your company, correct?
- A. Yes, it does.
  - Q. In Section I it states "that a proper use of your employee identification card system is mandatory," correct?
  - A. Yes, and we have taken great steps to achieve that.
  - Q. Mr. Newcastle, you have yet to enforce this policy; isn't that true?
  - A. No, it is not. We have enforced this policy very strictly.
- Q. You state in your sworn affidavit that people ignore your security measures, specifically the security card system, correct?

1 Α. Yes, ma'am. There was a point in time when these security measures were overlooked. We have come 2 down and the practice rarely happens. 3 4 Now, in Section III it gives company rankings Q. 5 based on technology employed and fewest number of security breaches, correct? 6 7 A. Yes, it ranks us among companies from all over the world. 8 9 And Mr. Newcastle, your company, Delaware Auto Ο. 10 and Marine Corporation is ranked 5th, correct? 11 Fifth in the world, yes. Α. However Mideast Stevedore Services, 12 Q. 13 Incorporated ranks second; isn't that true? 14 That's what it says. Yes. Α. 15 Now, you would agree with me that you believe Q. 16 that if MESS is to acquire control of DAM, you think 17 you will be out of a job? Yes, it is possible. I have heard that they 18 Α. 19 plan on firing our entire security force. 20 MS. HARGIS: Thank you, Your Honor.

MS. TEUTSCH: Briefly, Your Honor.

THE COURT: Redirect.

further questions for this witness.

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## REDIRECT EXAMINATION

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- Q. Mr. Newcastle, do you still have Exhibit 5.
  - A. No, ma'am. She took it.
- Q. Permission to approach this witness with admitted Exhibit 5?
- 7 THE COURT: Yes.
- 8 BY MS. TEUTSCH:
  - Q. Now, Mr. Newcastle, will you please turn to Section II of this report and read the first sentence?
  - A. Section II is "overall, security measures at DAM are rated good to very good."
  - Q. Now, will you please read the date on this report?
    - A. It was made in July of 2006.
    - Q. Now, will you please turn to Section II and read under Subpoint 1, the last sentence under Improper Use of Employee Identification Cards?
    - A. "Employees engaging if this practice should be disciplined."
    - Q. And since July of 2006, have you implemented that procedure, have you begun disciplining employees who engage in those practices?

1	A. Yes, ma'am, we have.
2	MS. TEUTSCH: Thank you. I have nothing
3	further.
4	RECROSS EXAMINATION
5	BY MS. HARGIS:
6	Q. Mr. Newcastle, this document, Exhibit 5, was
7	completed in July of 2006, correct.
8	A. Yes, it was.
9	Q. Nearly two years ago, isn't that true?
10	A. Yes, ma'am.
11	Q. And you have still yet to properly enforce
12	your employee identification card system, correct?
13	A. No, ma'am. We started enforcing it.
14	Q. Your sworn affidavit that you completed two
15	days ago you stated that you're still having
16	problems
17	MS. TEUTSCH: Objection, Your Honor. This
18	question has been asked and answer in various forms.
19	THE COURT: Sustained.
20	MS. HARGIS: Yes, Your Honor.
21	BY MS. HARGIS:
22	Q. Mr. Newcastle, in this Exhibit 5 it gives
23	other recommendations under the recommendation portion,

1	correct.
2	A. Yes, there are two more.
3	Q. And you have not chosen to employ any of those
4	optional provisions, correct?
5	A. Yes, the second one is the auditing system and
6	we decided against that because we never had any prior
7	problems with security at security concerning our
8	employees, and the third recommendation is those x-ray
9	equipment scanners. And we decide that since these
10	scanners haven't been approved and tested
11	Q. Mr. Newcastle, the answer to any my is yes,
12	correct?
13	A. Yes, ma'am. I was trying to be helpful.
14	MS. HARGIS: Thank you, Your Honor. No
15	further questions.
16	THE COURT: You may step down.
17	MR. THOLE: Delaware Marine calls Agent Chris
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20	(The witness was previously sworn.)
21	DIRECT EXAMINATION
22	BY MR. THOLE:
23	Q. Permission to proceed?

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1	THE COURT: Yes.
2	BY MR. THOLE:
3	Q. Good evening, Mr. Read.
4	A. Good evening.
5	Q. Please state your full name and then spell
6	your last name for the Court's records.
7	A. Chris Read, R-E-A-D.
8	Q. What is your profession?
9	A. I am the founder and head consultant of CH
10	Enterprises.
11	Q. What is the business of CH Enterprises?
12	A. We are a private consultation firm for
13	businesses. We specialize in national security.
14	Q. What are your areas of expertise?
15	A. Both terrorism and national security.
16	Q. Have you been asked to research and analyze
17	specific issues in this case?
18	A. Yes, I have.
19	Q. Have you reached conclusions based on your
20	research and analysis?
21	A. Yes, three actually.
22	Q. Before we get to your conclusions, it is
23	important for this jury to hear your qualifications for

- making those conclusions. What education have you received?
  - A. I have a BA in International Studies along with minors in Arabic and German from the University of Massachusetts.
  - Q. What experience do you have in your areas of expertise; terrorism and national security?
  - A. For over 20 years, I have served as an intelligence analyst and Agent for the EDA.
    - O. What is the EDA?

- A. That is the External Defense Agency. It's an intelligence agency of United States Government.
- Q. What, specifically, were your duties at the EDA?
- A. My mission always has been to protect the United States.
  - Q. How do you do that?
- A. I meet face-to-face with people involved in terrorist activities, then I also collect and analyze intelligence data.
- Q. Agent Read, you testified that you reached three conclusions in this case. Tell us your first conclusion?

- A. The government of Aladdin has direct material ties to international terrorism.

  Q. Your second conclusion?
  - A. That the company MESS has their own independent direct material ties to international terrorism.
    - Q. And your third conclusion?
  - A. If MESS were allowed to takeover Delaware Marine, it will pose a threat to national security.
  - Q. Now, upon what factors did you rely in reaching your first conclusion that Aladdin has direct material ties to international terrorism?
  - A. Official government and commercial documents, along with my own personal observations.
  - Q. Are these sources customarily relied upon by experts such as yourself in terrorism and national security?
    - A. Yes, they are.
  - Q. In your experience, are these sources reliable?
  - A. Yes, very.

Q. What evidence did you find that Aladdin has direct material ties to terrorism?

- A. Aladdin's national airport grants special privileges to associates of terrorist organizations.

  The Bank of Aladdin --
  - MS. HARRIS: Objection, Your Honor, pursuant to Rule 802 this would be hearsay.
    - MR. THOLE: May I respond, Your Honor?
- 7 THE COURT: Yes.

- MR. THOLE: This expert witness is not testifying to specific out-of-court statements, Your Honor, it does not meet the definition of hearsay.

  Pursuant to Rule 702, the foundation has been laid that he is an expert, skill, knowledge, education, experience and training in terrorism and national security. Pursuant to Rule 703, this witness is allowed to make conclusions without disclosure of the underlying facts or data. In fact, the underlying facts or data need not be admissible. These are conclusions, not out-of-court statements that would be under the hearsay Rule 801, Your Honor.
  - MS. HARRIS: Your Honor, if I may respond.

    While an expert may render his opinion on inadmissible evidence, this does not make the actual evidence admissible in court today. This witness is testifying

to what he learned from these documents.

THE COURT: The objection is overruled.

MS. HARRIS: Yes, Your Honor.

#### BY MR. THOLE:

- Q. Agent Read, tell us, again, what evidence did you find that Aladdin has direct material ties to terrorism?
- A. Both, again, the airport of Aladdin grants privileges to associates of terrorist organizations.

  The Bank of Aladdin transfers and holds funds for terrorist organizations that I personally observed the prime minister of Aladdin meeting with an admitted terrorist.
- Q. How did you observe the prime minister of Aladdin meeting with an admitted terrorist?
- A. It was during a reconnaissance mission with EDA.
- Q. Where was the meeting between the prime minister of Aladdin and admitted terrorist?
- A. It was just off the Coast of Oman on a small island of Aladdin at the prime minister's own private retreat.
  - Q. What is the significance of a meeting between

- the prime minister of Aladdin, a country that controls

  MESS and an admitted terrorist?
  - A. Aladdin owns and controls MESS.
  - Q. And who was the admitted terrorist that the prime minister of Aladdin met with?
    - A. Drew Terry, the brother of Devereaux Terry.
  - Q. You mean Devereaux Terry, the president of MESS?
    - A. Yes, sir.

- Q. Agent Read, I would like to move to your second conclusion; that MESS has independent direct material ties to terrorism. Would you please tell the jury what you mean when you say independent?
- A. Yes. Not only does MESS have ties to terrorism through the government of Aladdin, who owns and controls it, but they have their own independent ties.
- Q. What did you -- have you reviewed records and made observations upon which you relied?
  - A. Yes, I have.
  - Q. What specifically?
- A. Well, again, official commercial and government documents, along with my own personal

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- Q. Are these sources customarily relied upon by an expert in terrorism and national security?
  - A. Yes, they are.
  - Q. In your experience, are they reliable?
- A. Very.
  - Q. What evidence did you find that MESS has independent direct material ties to terrorism?
  - MS. HARRIS: Your Honor, pursuant to Rule 802, this question calls for hearsay.
    - MR. THOLE: Response, Your Honor?
- 12 THE COURT: Yes.
- MR. THOLE: Once again, if we --
- 14 THE COURT: The same response you gave before?
- MR. THOLE: Yes, Your Honor.
- 16 THE COURT: The objection is overruled.

## 17 BY MR. THOLE:

- Q. What evidence did you find that MESS has independent direct material ties to terrorism?
- A. The president of MESS is the brother of an admitted international terrorist. Associates of MESS are granted special privileges by the airport of Aladdin. MESS has funded terrorist actions of Drew

- Terry. And the president of MESS, Mr. Devereaux Terry, personally endorses international terrorism.
  - Q. Agent Read, how did you learn that the president of MESS, Devereaux Terry, personally endorses international terrorism?
  - A. A wiretap recorded one of Mr. Terry's phone conversations.
  - Q. Is there a record or transcript of that phone conversation?
    - A. Yes, I believe so.
  - Q. Let the record reflect that I am showing opposing counsel a copy of proposed Exhibit 4, the phone transcript. Permission to approach opposing counsel?

THE COURT: Yes.

MR. THOLE: Permission to approach the

17 witness?

18 THE COURT: Yes.

BY MR. THOLE:

- Q. Agent Read, I am approaching you with what has been marked as proposed Exhibit 4 for identification purposes. Do you recognize this document?
- 23 A. Yes, I do.

- Q. Could you tell us what it is?
- A. Yes. This is the transcript of the phone conversation that I just spoke about.
- Q. Did you personally hear the phone conversation at the time it was made?
  - A. Yes, I did.
- Q. Did you oversee the creation of this transcript?
  - A. Yes.

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- Q. Was the transcript made in the normal course of business for the External Defense Agency?
  - A. Yes, sir.
- MR. THOLE: Your Honor, at this time I move for the admission of Exhibit 4 into evidence, the phone transcript.
- 16 MS. HARRIS: No objection, Your Honor.
- 17 THE COURT: It is admitted.
- 18 BY MR. THOLE:
  - Q. Agent Read, please explain how this phone transcript proves that the president of MESS, Devereaux Terry, personally endorses international terrorism?
- A. In the phone call, Mr. Terry is asked, "Do you really think so, that someone will attack the US?" And

Mr. Terry responds "Well, I am not going to say that I have any solid information, but it certainly would bring me great pleasure if it did happen. I have lived here since I was 14, and each day the hatred grows. It is becoming close to unbearable."

- Q. Agent Read, is there more?
- A. Yes, there is.

- Q. Please tell us?
- A. Mr. Terry is then asked, "Then why are you still staying? Why don't you go back to Aladdin?" And Mr. Terry responds, "I am thinking of doing that, but as much as I hate this country, I still need to learn more about it."
- Q. Now, you may place the Exhibit down, Agent Read.

You have testified that you overheard this phone call and that you oversaw the creation of this transcript. Now, Mr. Terry has claimed in court today that the phone call was made as a prank to get you in trouble. Based on what you heard and what you see; is there anything that indicates to you that this was a prank?

A. No. No, there is not.

- Q. At the time that the phone call occurred, were you operating as an undercover Agent?
  - A. Yes, I was.

- Q. Now, I would like to move to your third conclusion; that if MESS is allowed to takeover Delaware Marine, it would pose a threat to the national security of the United States. Upon what did you rely in reaching that conclusion?
- A. The fact that the Delaware River is one of the busiest international waterways in the US and the Port of Wilmington's close proximity both New York and Washington, DC, the financial and political capitals of our country.
- Q. How would Mideast Stevedores Services, MESS, pose a threat to the national security of the United States of America?
- A. Aladdin, Mideast Stevedore Services and Mr. Terry all have direct connections to international terrorism. If they are allowed to have unrestricted access to an American port, they could use it as a gateway to launch terrorist attacks throughout the country.

MR. THOLE: Thank you. Nothing further at

this time. 1 2 THE COURT: You may cross. CROSS EXAMINATION 3 4 BY MS. HARRIS: Now, Mr. Read, you have flown into Aladdin's 5 0. national airport before, correct? 6 7 A. Yes, I have. Q. And you believe that general aviation takeoffs 8 and landings are only allowed during the daytime hours; 9 isn't that true? 10 11 Α. Yes. Q. Yet people have flown in and out of the 12 13 airport during the nighttime; isn't that correct? 14 Yes, that's where the connection between the A. airport and international terrorism comes from. 15 16 O. You claim to have reviewed aviation records, 17 correct? 18 Α. Yes, I was able to look at them during my time 19 with the EDA. 20 Ο. Yet these report are not in court today for the jury to see; isn't that true? 21 22 Well, unfortunately records like these I am

not able to take back to the EDA with me. I must leave

- them there after reviewing them.
  - Q. You would agree with me, though, they were recently declassified, correct, Mr. Read?
    - A. Yes.

- Q. And they are not in court today, correct?
- A. That's correct.
  - Q. And you would agree with me you were only able to obtain a certification after what you characterize as some pretty intense interrogation techniques; isn't that true?
  - A. Oh, yes, I returned to the airport and spoke with the custodian of records and signed an affidavit verifying the records that were at the airport.
  - Q. You brought the custodian all the way to Virginia to sign this, did you not?
    - A. Yes.
  - Q. And the custodian previously was in Aladdin; isn't that correct?
    - A. Yes, that's correct.
  - Q. And you claim to have bank records; isn't that true?
  - A. Well, I don't have the bank records. These, again, are not here because I am unable to take them

back to the EDA with me.

- Q. My point exactly, they are not in court today for the jury to see, correct, Mr. Read?
  - A. That's correct.
- Q. And you would agree me that you are familiar with Devereaux Terry, true?
  - A. Yes.
- Q. In fact, Mr. Terry went to Harvard University; isn't that correct?
- A. I'm not entirely positive, but I believe he did.
- Q. And this was the college where your acceptance was denied because you were caught cheating at boarding school; isn't that true, Mr. Read?
  - A. No, I never cheated at boarding school.
- Q. Mr. Read, you would agree with me you claim to have intercepted a telephone conversation between Devereaux Terry and an unknown person; isn't that true?
  - A. Yes, the phone call right here.
- Q. And you heard all these mentions of terrorist activity; isn't that correct, Mr. Read?
  - A. Yes, ma'am.
- O. Yet as a terrorist expert, you did not feel

- the need to take any legal actions again Mr. Terry;

  isn't that true?
  - A. Well, I'm sorry, ma'am, but I am not able to talk about any illegal actions that may or may not be taking place.
  - Q. Mr. Terry was never deported from the United States; isn't that correct?
    - A. I believe he wasn't.
  - Q. Mr. Terry's access into the United States was never denied even though you heard all these mentions of terrorist activity; isn't that correct?
    - A. I am not sure if his access was denied.
  - Q. Now, you would agree with me you claim to have seen the prime minister of Aladdin in the presence of Drew Terry, the known terrorist; isn't that true?
    - A. Yes, that's true.
  - Q. And you took a picture of him; isn't that correct?
    - A. Yes.

- Q. Despite all of your espionage connections, Mr. Read, you took a picture with a camera phone, isn't that true?
- A. Well, yes, when you are working undercover in

- a foreign country, you can't exactly walk around with a camera and take pictures of official government employees in compromising situations. They don't exactly like that.
- Q. But you do walk with around with a camera phone and take pictures; isn't that true?

- A. It's a lot easier to disguise a phone, you can be looking at a text message, and it is a lot more innocuous.
- Q. But you would agree with me you do not have the photo; isn't that correct?
- A. Well, no, what happened was while I was on my way back to America after taking the picture, I realized I should return to the EDA. I was routed through London, but an undercover Agent really isn't as glorified as you would expect, I still have to go through airport security like everyone else, and we all know how that is, but at London it was directly after a terrorist incident, so they were requiring all carry-on luggage to go in the stowaway. So I put everything I had on me except for my passport into my bag and when I had landed back in America, I found that my bag was open along with many other peoples' possessions; my

- phone, my laptop, my -- several other things were all taken.
  - Q. And you would agree with me this photo is missing just like all the rest of the information that you claim to have, Mr. Read?
    - A. No, ma'am.
    - Q. This photo is not missing?
  - A. No, not all the information is missing. There is information here in the court today.
  - Q. But this photo is not here for the jury to see; is that not true?
  - A. That's correct, the photo is not here, but there is other information.
- 14 MS. HARRIS: No further questions, Your Honor.
- 15 THE COURT: Redirect.

#### 16 REDIRECT EXAMINATION

## 17 BY MR. THOLE:

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Q. Briefly, Your Honor.

Agent Read, counsel insinuated on cross examination that your prior relationship with Mr. Terry may affect your testimony in this case. How do you respond to that?

A. I will not compromise the work that I have

- done in protecting this country over some silly little
  thing that happened back in high school.
  - MR. THOLE: Your Honor, I have nothing further. May I publish Exhibit 4 to the jury for review, that's the phone transcript.

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- MS. HARRIS: Your Honor, I have one objection.

  Pursuant to Rule 4.11 publish it -- or more copies than
  the one that was entered into evidence are not allowed
  to be published to the jury.
- THE COURT: Your request is denied. Thee is nothing more particularly special about that Exhibit than the others. The jury will consider them all in the jury room together.
  - MR. THOLE: Yes, Your Honor.
  - MS. HARRIS: Yes, Your Honor.
- MR. THOLE: Nothing further. Defense rests,

  Your Honor.
- 18 THE COURT: Counsel prepared to close?
- MS. PARKHOUSE: Yes, Your Honor.
- 20 THE COURT: You may proceed.
- MS. PARKHOUSE: May it please the Court.

  Members of the jury, the defense was right about one
- thing, that DAM has a duty to promote, protect, and

preserve the best interests of its shareholders. Yet all we have seen from Pat Kent and the board of directors is the promotion of false hopes, failure to protect their shareholders' rights to sell their shares of their own volition and a desperate attempt to preserve a failing company by bringing forth ridiculous, and unfounded allegations that my clients or the nation of Aladdin have any ties to international terrorism.

Today we, the plaintiffs, have met our burden to prove by a preponderance of the evidence that DAM, through its board of directors, has breached its fiduciary duty to its shareholders. Furthermore, the defense has completely failed to carry its burden to prove that MESS or the nation of Aladdin have any material ties to terrorism, or that the proposed business acquisition poses a threat to national security.

Justice Steele will charge you that if it is shown by employing the poison pill, DAM's board of directors have failed to act on an informed basis, or have failed to act in good faith, then they have breached their fiduciary duty to their shareholders.

You have seen the lack of information in Pat Kent's business plan, which he is promoting to his shareholders as a reason not to sell for at least another ten years. He wants to dredge the shipping lanes of the Delaware River, yet has no idea whether or not the Army Corps of Engineers is interested in supporting this endeavor. He needs \$100 million to retrofit, which DAM does not currently have. This plan is a pipe dream, it is not made in good faith. While Pat Kent waits around to see if luck goes his way, his shareholders are left in limbo hoping that Pat Kent will come to his senses.

Justice Steele will charge you that in coming to your verdict in today's case you will be submitted three questions. The first is whether or not you believe the board of directors of DAM have breached their fiduciary duty to their shareholders. Pat Kent admitted to you that shareholders owning of more than 51 percent of the stock of DAM have already tendered their shares, and that shareholders such as Aaron Sussex have pleaded with him to lookout for their best interest, redeem the poison pill, and accept the offer by MESS. The evidence demands that you answer yes to

this question, Members of the jury, and find that DAM's board of directors has breached its fiduciary duty to its shareholders.

Your Honor, at this time I reserve the remaining time for my rebuttal.

THE COURT: All right. Counsel.

MR. THOLE: Yes, Your Honor.

THE COURT: You may proceed.

MR. THOLE: Thank you. May it please the Court. Counsel, Members of the jury. Delaware Marine promotes, protects, and preserves the values which we as Americans hold dear. Pat Kent, in promoting his business plan, is protecting the interests of Delaware Marine's stockholders and the United States, and preserving the integrity of the company he built from the ground up.

Mr. Kent founded Delaware Marine over four decades ago when he was a young man with barely two nickels to rub together. Under Mr. Kent and the board's able leadership, Delaware Marine has thrived. The company's stock rose consistently. It is traded at well over \$20 per share, higher than MESS's offer.

Delaware Marine, like many American companies, suffered

stock market setbacks following the 9/11 attacks, but the true value of a company like Delaware Marine cannot be determine the by its stock price alone, as MESS would have you believe.

Mr. Kent, and the board of directors at DAM have intangible, intangible assets that go beyond the stock price. They have the experience, the institutional knowledge, and the business plan to propel Delaware Marine into a safe and prosperous future.

Members of the jury, MESS's offer was based on a low-ball offer for the stock. It was not made in good faith, and it does not represent this full value of Delaware Marine with the intangible assets. MESS deceptively made it appear as though they raised the offer to \$20, but what MESS does not want you to know is that the offer was not raised until this lawsuit was filed. MESS has a hidden agenda. They knew full well that Delaware Marine could not, in good faith, accept any offer, \$20 or a million dollars per share because Delaware Marine discovered that MESS has material ties to terrorism. Pat Kent and the board of directors at Delaware Marine have legitimate concerns, not only

effort stockholders, but for the security of our country.

MESS is owned and controlled by the government of Aladdin. Aladdin's national bank transfers and holds funds for terrorists. Aladdin's national airport grants special privileges to terrorists. Aladdin's prime minister is a known associate with Drew Terry, an admitted terrorist. Terry has murdered hundreds of innocent people. Terry is the brother of Devereaux Terry, the president of MESS, and Devereaux Terry, president of MESS, spoke these words about America less than three years before the September 11th terrorist attacks: "It would bring me great pleasure to see this country attacked. I hate this country."

The Court will instruct you that the burden of proof in this case must be met by a preponderance of the evidence, which means more likely than not. We have shown you that it is more likely than not that Mr. Terry, MESS and Aladdin all have material ties to terrorism and that MESS would pose a threat to our national security.

Under the Delaware anti-terrorism statute,

DAM, Delaware Marine, is not obligated to enter into

any business accommodation with MESS and, Members of the jury, MESS has failed to meet its burden of proving that Delaware Marine breached its fiduciary duty to the stockholders.

Ever since 9/11, America has been forced to look through a lens of caution. If you allow MESS to takeover Delaware Marine, Mr. Terry and his terrorist brother will attain a strategic position of power and could make another attack at the heart of our country a reality.

The Port of Wilmington is within driving distance of New York, and Washington, DC, the financial and political nerve centers of our country. When you retire to deliberate, consider that a verdict in favor of Delaware Marine is sound, safe and secure for the stockholders and the nation. Delaware Marine promotes, protects and preserves the values we, as Americans, hold dear. Thank you.

THE COURT: Rebuttal.

MS. PARKHOUSE: Before I begin, may I inquire as to how much time I have remaining.

TIME KEEPER: Two minutes 35 seconds.

THE COURT: Timekeepers agree?

TIME KEEPERS: Um-hmm.

MS. PARKHOUSE: Members of the jury, once you have found that DAM's board of director has breached its fiduciary duty to its shareholders, you will be submitted two more questions. The first is whether or not you believe the nation of Aladdin has material ties to terrorism? And the second is whether or not you believe that proposed business acquisition poses a threat to national security?

When considering these two questions, Members of the jury, remember that Pat Kent has absolutely no plan to increase the security of his own port despite the fact that his own consultant has recommended that he do so. MESS, on the other hand, employs state-of-the-art radiation detection and x-ray technology at every port to preserve the safest transportation possible.

Now, Chris Read has brought about a series of baseless accusations that the nation of Aladdin has any ties to international terrorism, but where is any of the evidence which would corroborate this testimony?

Airport records, bank records, witness testimony, pictures which supposedly link a known terrorist to the

prime minister of Aladdin? None of that evidence is in court today, Members of the jury. You are forced to rely upon the testimony of a man who spies against my client dating back to high school.

Now, had the phone call been made by Devereaux Terry in just ten-years ago been taken seriously, you ran high a likelihood of being deported, arrested, or being denied entry into the United States, but none of these things has occurred. Thus the EDA knew all along what we all know, that Devereaux Terry poses absolutely no threat to national security to the United States.

I will never sell this company no matter what the price. Listen to the words of Pat Kent. Do not be fooled by empty, idealistic claims brought about by DAM in a desperate attempt to cling to an ailing company. Protect the United States by allowing MESS to employ state-of-the-art technology, for DAM only employs guard dogs and random checks. Promote the shareholders' chances at maximizing their profits, and preserve the rights of the shareholders by finding that they have been unnecessarily forbidden from selling their stock and return with that verdict in favor of the plaintiff. Thank you.

THE COURT: Thank you, Counsel. There are five steps that I am instructed to close the trial with. First is the happy of all steps, and that is to congratulate the teams and each member of the teams.

(Applause.)

THE COURT: This is not one of the steps, I also want to thank our court reporter because that is the longest I have ever had a court reporter sit without a break.

(Applause.)

THE COURT: I am now to remind the scoring judges that you may not confer when you complete your score sheets and ask you to step outside of the courtroom to complete those sheets. Even though my colleagues are also scoring, I would ask them to remain until I finish so we can leave together.

The final step is to ask whether either team has any reason to believe that a material rules violation has occurred during the trial?

MS. PARKHOUSE: None from the Plaintiff, Your Honor.

MR. THOLE: No, Your Honor. Thank you for a good round.

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1	MS. PARKHOUSE: Likewise.	
2	THE COURT: Again, thank you all for a good	
3	round. The Delaware Supreme Court now adjourns.	
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